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GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

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U.S. Mint At Philadelphia,
1791-1936

Correspondence, 1792-1904

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792 - 1899

1859: DEC.

1860: JAN. - FEB.

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1859 / DECEMBER

Treasury of the United States
31 December 1859

Sir

For enclosed Transfer Draft No. 6159 please
forward to this Office \$20.000 in half dollars
\$20.000 in Quarter dollars \$5.000 in Dimes and
\$5.000 in half Dimes

Very respectfully
Your Obedt Servt
G. W. Woodward
Acting Treasurer

J. A. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Chas. A. S

Washington

1st Jan '60

Chief Coiners Department
United States Mint.

To Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden

Dec 31st 1889-

Director U.S. Mint.

I enclose my return of absence lateness and overtime of workmen for this month. The total absence exhibits a very considerable increase over that of several preceding months. At your request Mr Snyder who has been sick on half pay for one year has been informed that his name should at the commencement of 1890 be stricken from the Roll.

The Bullion received during the past month has been worked without delay notwithstanding the usual preparations for closing my accounts with the Treasurer at the close of the year.

All the Bullion in the vaults of the Department the bars from filings sediment and frains and the sweep for the year have been this day delivered to the Treasurer and the ascertainment of the value of the Sweep is all that is required to determine the wastage, when the report of the Assayer has been received I shall present a statement exhibiting the wastage.

Complaint has been made to me by the workmen in the Machine Shop that it is not properly heated and they desire that a small stove shall be obtained and put up in their room. Upon examination I find the register in their room surrounded with closets and shelving which prevent the heat from reaching the centre of the shop and I would

recommend that a stove be put up -

In the matter of the charge of slander by
Mr Robert Christy against Miss Josephine Wood
I have made enquiry at your request and
ascertain that there is at least sufficient ground
to require that an examination of the charge
should be made and such action taken as in
your judgment should be deemed advisable

Respy

Geo T Child
Chf Cairn

Wastage in the Chief Coiner's Department of the Mint of the United States.

DATE of WORKING.	DESCRIPTION.	INGOTS.		WASTAGE.										TOTAL WASTAGE.		RATE IN THOUS'S.
				ROLLING and ANNEALING.		CUTTING and WASHING.		ADJUSTING, ASSORTING and MILLING.		CLEANING.		COINING.				
		oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	
Gold 1859																
November 1 st	Obv Eagle	2671	400	0 10	0 14	0 04	0 06	0 00	0 14							
" 5 th	" "	3070	350	0 23	0 17	0 02	0 07	0 00	0 03							
" 14 th	" "	4991	850	0 14	0 09	0 01	0 09	0 00	0 13							
" 21 st	Gold Dollar	2105	050	0 05	0 02	1 07	0 09	0 00	1 13							
" 29 th	Obv Eagle	3956	200	0 19	0 00	0 02	0 09	0 00	0 12							
Decr 6 th	Obv Eagle Half + Gold Dollar	4315	500	0 12	0 26	0 14	0 09	0 00	0 37							
" 12 th	Obv Eagle + Gold Dollar	4646	500	0 26	0 11	0 20	0 10	0 00	0 15							
" 19 th	Eagle	2271	050	0 10	0 04	0 05	0 05	0 00	0 04							
		328027900												125		#0.044

Silver

November 7 th	2 1/2 dollar Half	35350	500	6	800	3	500	0	300	9	800			6	800	
" 15 th	Silver dollars	47448	700	8	000	2	200	0	600	9	900			3	500	
" 22 nd	" "	43988	100	3	600	1	600	0	250	18	800			17	050	
Decr 6 th	2 1/2 dollar Half + Three Cents	33894	900	9	000	1	570	1	100	16	800			8	270	
" 19 th	Half dollar	19298	400	1	700	1	000	0	300	5	600			5	200	
" 23 rd	" "	26000	800	1	500	1	200	0	100	11	200			10	800	
														205581700		#0.25

Spices which were assigned 2 1/2 dollars

Report
Chief Comr

December

1889

Return of absence, lateness and overtime in Corniers
Department for December 1859

Names -	Sickness	no excuse rendered				
Lambert, H.	5 ^d					
Mullen -	7 ^d					
Tully	3 "					
Wignmore	17 ^d ?					
Batchelder	2 "					
Bruker -	2 "					
Delaney -	2 "					
Torman	5 "					
Kelly	2 "					
Leatherman -	8 "					
McGittigan -	1 "					
Snyder -	27 "					
Prenot -	6 " ?					
Stackell	"	7 ^d				
Guy	"	1 ^d				
Quinn	2 "	3 ^d				
Huston -	6 "					
	<u>75</u>	<u>11 -</u>				
			Total	106	days absence -	

Overtime

Lawrence	28 hours	} Engine & Fireman
McQuinnis	26 "	
Slaw -	48 "	
O'Donald	29 "	

STATEMENT of the Coinage of the United States Mint, for

1859

GOLD.

	NO. OF PIECES.	VALUE.
DOUBLE EAGLES,	43597.	\$ 871.940
EAGLES,	16093	160.930
HALF EAGLES,	16814	84.070
QUARTER DO.	39444	98.610
THREE DOLLARS,	15638	46.914
GOLD DOLLARS,	168244	168244
	299,830 ps	\$ 1,430.708

SILVER.

DOLLARS,	256.500	\$ 256.500
HALF DOLLARS,	748.000	374.000
QUARTER DO.	1344.000	336.000
DIMES,	430.000	43.000
HALF DIMES,	340.000	17.000
THREE CENTS,	365.000	10.950
	3,483.500	1,037.450

CENTS.

35,500.000 \$ 355.000

RECAPITULATION.

GOLD,	299.830	\$ 1,430.708
SILVER,	3483.500	1,037.450
CENTS,	35500.000	355.000
	39,283.330 ps	\$ 2,823.158

OF THE

for the year

185 9

Dec. 31.

59.

Dear Sir

I find you enclosed a sum
pursuant to a return and acknowledgment
of your favor of the 22nd inst. enclosing
some Washington Memorials for the
Mint Collection.

With the Compts of the season,

I am, very respectfully
and truly yours.

Samuel Ross Chenoweth.
Director of the Mint.

Charles C. Bushnell Esq.
New York.

To
Charles D. Burkhell
New York

Enclosing specimens

Dec 31, 1839

William Sellers & Co.

Founders and Machinists.

William Sellers
John Sellers Jr.

Pennsylvania Avenue & 16th St.
Philadelphia Dec. 31st 1859.

J. Ross Snowden Esq.
Director U. S. Mint.
Philada.

Dear Sir

We will agree to make for you one
"Fly Press" for hubbing with 4 in cast steel screw 3 in
pitch, tripple thread - uprights of housings 7" Square
best Cast Iron - Nut of screw bronze 8 to 1. the whole
fitted up in the most substantial manner and
mounted on Cast Iron legs for five hundred dollars
(\$500.⁰⁰/100) or at our usual shop prices as you
may elect on giving the order.

Very Respectfully
Yours truly.

Wm. Sellers & Co.

From To

From Sellers to
Phil^u

Contract to Build "Hy
Press" at this price

Special File

Dec 31. 1839

Dec. 31, 59

Gentlemen:

The proposals contained in
your Communication of to-day are
satisfactory. I will thereunto
a "Fly Sheet" for rubbing down
the descriptions mentioned.

I would have paying for it on the
basis stated in your second proposition
namely, at your usual photo prices.

Wm Sellers & Son
Ph^{cs}

Very respectfully
your obt. servt
Samuel R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Col. James Ross Snowden.
Director U. S. Mint

Philad^a Dec^r 3^o. 1839.

Dear Sir,

If my proposition of 21st inst
for the Cash purchase of the Old Cent Copper has not been
already acted upon, with your permission I beg leave to
withdraw it. But I am still ready to enter into my
other proposition of exchanging new Copper for the Old Cent
Copper, viz -.

I propose to Contract with the U. S. Mint to
take all the Old Cent Copper now on hand & that which may accu-
mulate from time to time during the year 1860, & return for
the same from time to time in Exchange, the best Lake Superior
Copper pound for pound & receive a difference of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per
pound Cash. I remain

Your most Obedient Servant.
Nero Phillips

J
Wm

Wm Phillips
Phil^a

Proposition

to purchase

paper

Dec 30. 1839

A. S. Branch Mint,
New Orleans, Dec 29th 1859

Sir

In accordance
with your instructions, in
your telegraphic despatch,
of yesterday. I inclose
you herewith a requisition
for three thousand
dollars.

Very respectfully
Wm. A. Brown
Supt

Hon James W. Snowden
Director Mint

Phila

Mr Supt R Mm
New Orleans
La

Enclosing Requisition
in my favor for
\$3000—

Jan 6, 1860

Office of The Adams Express Company:

EXPRESS FORWARDERS.

Philadelphia July 4 1856

Received from Director A. S. Mearns the
undermentioned, Bank of Cape Fear to be forwarded to
Raleigh N. C.

It is part of the consideration of this contract and it is agreed that the said Express Company ARE FORWARDERS ONLY, and are not to be responsible for any loss or damage while being conveyed by the CARRIERS or AGENTS, to whom said property may be by said Express Company entrusted, or arising from the dangers of Railroads, Ocean or River Navigation, Steam, Fire in Stores, Depots, or in Transit, Leakage, Breakage, or from any cause whatever, unless, in every case, the same be proved to have occurred from the fraud or gross negligence of said Express Company or their servants, nor in any event, beyond the sum of FIFTY DOLLARS at which the article carried is hereby valued, unless otherwise herein expressed, nor liable for any damage to GLASS, or any FRAGILE articles, unless herein specially insured. And if the same is entrusted or delivered to any other Express Company or Agent, (which said Adams Express Company are hereby authorised to do,) such company or person so selected shall be regarded exclusively as the agent of the depositor, and as such alone liable, and the Adams Express Company shall not be in any event responsible for the negligence or non-performance of any such company or person, nor in any event shall said Express Company be liable for any loss or damage unless the claim therefor shall be presented to them in writing at their said office, within thirty days after the time when said property has, or ought to have been delivered.

FREIGHT.

MARK.

ARTICLE.

Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh
N. C.

One Bag Containing
Five Hundred Dollars

For the Proprietors,

Geo. C. Thompson

Bank of Cape Fear
Raleigh N.C.
24 Dec 1858

Director, N. S. Miner
Phil^a

Dear Sir

Please send me by Express
Five Hundred Dollars in quarters, for the
enclosed Ck in N.Y. for \$500-

Yours Respy
W. H. Barr

From Cashier Branch Bk.
Cape Fear
Raleigh, N.C.

Dec. 27
1888.

500. chd. for Quar. 1888.

Jan 4, 1889. - 500
quarters sent - see
Director's letter
enclosed herewith

Boston, Dec. 24th 1839—

My Dear Sir,

Some time last April, I believe,
I wrote to you, enclosing the money for a set
of the silver coins & cent of this year. I have
never received them, & I write now to inquire
if you can tell me where the fault was.

Yours respectfully
W. S. Appleton—

Please direct to

W. S. Appleton

39 Beacon St.
Boston

Mass

Set Prof Coins, ¹⁸³⁹ Sent per Adams Express
Jan 4, 1839

Sam^l W^m S. Appleton
Boston
Mass

To the Salt Master
con for which he enclosed
#2 - one Apple lost

Dec 30. 1859

Ann To

E. T. Baird Esq

Columbus

Miss

Washington

Jan 10. 1860

Columbus, Miss

Dec. 27. 1859.

My Dear Sir.

I send you a coin with the head of Washington - the origin and history of which I know nothing of. It was passed on a fair - the Traveller of mine for a quarter of a dollar - at which price I purchased it from him to send to you. - You may possibly remember my visiting the mint ^{last July} along with Rev. Dr. Schenck & my Brother, with several ladies. You put one of your circulars into my hands - but this is the first opportunity I have had of doing anything to further your plans. - If even this does, of which I am not entirely certain. For I do not know but ^{that} you wish

nothing but public medals and coins
of circulation. In that case I sus=
=pect this will be valueless to
your cabinet.

With very high regard

I am, Dear Sir, etc.

E. T. Baird

Hon. J. R. Snowden,

N. S. Mint

Philadelphia

June 10. 1 5

Mr. Eliza Williams.

Madam.

Referring to a course of
lectures I have had with Mr
Jackson of Baltimore, I
have to request you to send
to me, by the Messenger a
Washington Herald for Monday
you please.
After I have seen it, and taken
an electotype copy, & I obtain
it, I am prepared to return
it to Mr. Jackson by Express.

I am very respectfully
Yours
Samuel B. Channing
in reply to you

The following table
 shows the (approximate) value of
 the land in the various parts
 of the country at the time
 the land was first
 surveyed for the
 purpose.

My object in writing this
communication is not to mention
in your papers, & much of other
a pleasure to any kind of name
further, as some have been
which all the papers have
the same for the same is given
last of your country, and
and all.

my friend a small
amount of your money
will be very
valuable.

I am very grateful
to you for your kind
offer.

I am very grateful
to you for your kind
offer of money.

I am very grateful
to you for your kind
offer of money.

J. J. Baird Esq:
Colonel
Miss

Banking Office of Wm. A. Welles,
(ESTABLISHED JUNE, 1852.)

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec 27th 1859

Mr Jas Ross Snowden Esq

Dear Sir I enclose herewith for collection
~~and my credit,~~ my \$366 an amt BK \$50
for which please express amt in
pennies

Respy
Wm A Welles

Wm J. Miller Esq
Grand Rapids
Mich

Draft for \$50
enclosed for new
cents

Jan 3, 1869—

\$50 - cent coins
forwarded Jan 9, 1860

Mint of the United States
Philad^a: Jan 9. 1860

Sir,

I forward to you address to-day per
Adams Express 6: Fifty Dollars in Cent. Coins for
draft for that amount enclosed in your letter
of the 27th ult.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel D. Anderson,
Director of the Mint

Wm. J. Wells Esq,
Bank Cr. Grand Rapids,
Mich. Jan.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank -----

Date of Report -----

2-16156

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT U. S. TREASURER, AT NEW ORLEANS.

No 997

December 31st 1859

I Certify, That *A. J. Guinot, Jr. U. S. Br. Mint New Orleans*
has this day Deposited, to the Credit of the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES,
Seven hundred Seventy five Dollars *Sixty eight*
Cents, on account of *The incidental & Contingent Fund of said*
Branch Mint

for which I have signed duplicate Receipts.

\$ *775.68*

A. Guinot

New Orleans

Deductions

December 1859

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT U. S. TREASURER, AT NEW ORLEANS

Danville Missouri Dec. 26th 1839

~~Entered by mail~~

To The United States Mint - Co.
St. Philadelphia Pa

No 1276

Gentlemen

I Ship you by the
American Express Co. One
package of Gold Dust Containing
\$238. $\frac{24}{100}$ according to our weights
here to be coined & sent back
to the Florence Station on
North Missouri Rail Road By Exp-
-ress Co. I have not heard from
it since it left I would like
to hear from you if you
received it or not & know -
What has become of it

Your obt Servt
David H. Wither

P.S. Direct your letter To David
H. Wither Danville Missouri
No. 1276 Deposited 15th Decem by J. Munnings
paid \$218. $\frac{63}{100}$ 19th Decr 1839

Y
mm

David H. Wilcox
Lansing
Michigan

Adelphi

Dec 30, 1839

1839

W. V. Wilcox - Co.
of Michigan
of Penn.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Atkins Bradford Co Pe
Dec 26th 1859.

James Ross Snowden Esq
My dear Sir

My attention
has been called to an advertisement
ment of yours relative to coins,
medals, or tokens, with the
head or name of Washington
upon them.

I am preparing for the
press a work on the Masonic
history of Gen. Washington, and
the old military Lodges of the
last century, and I have thus
made enquiry for any Masonic
medals with his name or head
upon them, or relating to him.

The only medal of this kind which
I have seen, is one bearing date
1797. Obverse — Likeness of Washington
turned to the left, with the inscription
"G. Washington, President." Under the
likeness, is the date 1797.

On the Reverse, I saw Masonic
carpet, symbols &c, and around

it is the Inscription "Amor. Honor
et. Justicia., S. M. G. G. M."

The initials allude to his
being General Grand Master
of masons (which as you are
probably aware was a mistake)
I know of but four of these medals
viz, two with G. F. Mackley of your
city. one with Dr John Dove of
Richmond Virginia, and one
with Daniel Sickets No 424 Broadway
New York City. — You are probably
familiar with this medal, and can
probably give me its history, — if so
it would be of much interest to
me.

Upon the death of Washington
St. John's Lodge No 1 of Boston
Map voted to transmit an address
and Golden Medal on the occasion
to the Grand Lodge of England,
and a committee was appointed
for that purpose; but I cannot
find a copy, or description of
this medal in Boston, and shall
write to the Grand Lodge of England
for it, & hope to obtain a copy
and description, if one was sent

Do you know of any other
masine models selection
to Washington? Any information
you can give me relating to
this subject will be of value.

Very respectfully

Yours

S. Hayden

Jan 2, 1850

From To

S. Hayden

Athena

Pa

Masonic Medals
of Washington

Jan 9, 1860

Ans. 9. 60

Dear Sir,

The medal you describe in
your letter of the 26th ult is the only known
medal of Washington I have seen. I do
not know any more to say, except a copy of
it. I have only seen it in Mr. Nickley's
collection.

I know nothing of the medal
which our state was ordered to be struck
by W. J. Ledyard A. S. of Boston.
I am very sorry I can give you so
little information on this subject, as I would
gladly contribute some material to the
interesting work which you are here
doing for the people.

I am respectfully
and paternally yours.

Wm. Lloyd Garrison.
Wm. Lloyd Garrison, Editor of the Mint.
Peru, Pa.

To
Hon Joseph Allison
Judge Court Mich.

Respectfully
in request from
serving as a
Juryman

Dec 24. 1884

Dec. 24th 59.

Dear Sir,

I have heartily to request
that you will excuse Mr. Jacob McLaughlin
from serving as a Juror in your
Court. Mr. McLaughlin is engaged in
the melting and refining department
of the Mint, and his duties and regimen
in it every day that the Mint is in
operation.

I am with most respect,
Your friend & oft servt,
Samuel H. McLaughlin,
Asst. Dir. of the Mint

Dec 24 1859

Hon. J. Joseph Allison,
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas,
County of Allegheny, Pa.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

John Brady 105 E. Baltimore St
Baltimore Md.

Decr 24 1859

Mr Snowden

Dear Sir I have on hand
a book for sale which no doubt you
would like to possess It is an old
work on Coinage by W I Aldridge
"Assayer of Metals & Author of the
"Goldsmiths Repository" 8 vo size, 420 pgs
the names of the subscribers are printed in
the back Among the subscribers are the
names of Geo Washington John Adams
Gov Mifflin Jefferson and a host
of our distinguished men
Published in Philada at Yorrick's Head
1797 If you would wish to see it
I will send it with pleasure
Price \$2.00

I remain yours Respy

John Brady

To
Mr John V Brady
Balt.

Book on Comage
by W. J. Aldridge

Dec 28, 1839

Dec. 28! 59.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of
the 24th inst I have to state that I
am so glad if you send me the book
on Coinage you mention as being in
your possession Mr. E. J. Mendenhall
author of Metals, and author of the
Freedmen's Repeating? Please
send it by the Adams Express Co., without
prepaying charges, and I will send you
the price you name (\$2.00) if the
book is satisfactory; if not I will
return the book to you without
subjecting you to any of the
expenses of carriage.

Very respectfully
Yours obt. servt.

Mr. John Brady, ~~Samuel~~ Pop Incendens.
Baltimore, Md. Director of the Mint.

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Treasury Department,
Comptrollers Office,
December 23^d, 1859.

James Ross Snowden Esq.⁶

Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your a/c for the manufacture of Medals for the 2^d & 3^d qrs 1859, has this day been adjusted at the Treasury per Rep't to 136.091, and a balance found to be due from you to the United States on the 30th of Sept '59 of \$2,574.28

Bal claimed as due the U.S. per your a/c current 2,574.23

Making a difference of \$.05

which is thus explained:- error in bringing forward the balance from last settlement - bal due the U.S. in the last adjustment \$2,526.40 - bal bro't forward by you in your a/c current \$2,526.35 - making a difference of 5 cents and which explains the above difference.

Very Respectfully

Your obt serv't

W. McKim
Comptroller

From Hon H. Medill

Comptroller of
Washington

Adjustment of
Medall a/c
to Sept 30, 1839

Dec. 27, 1839

Treasury Department
Dec. 21. 1859.

Sir

I enclose herewith, a communication received from Hon W.C. Anderson with the enclosure from Mr. Williams referred to and will thank you to furnish to the Department such information as may be in your possession on the subject, to be communicated to Mr. Anderson.

I am very Res^l
Wm. Lobb

Sec^y of the Treasury

J. Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

From L

See Treasury

see 23/59

encloses letter from
Messrs Williams
& Anderson Esqrs
Kansas fort

To 49
from

See thread

Belonging to letter from

Wheeler Williams &

Anderson asking for

information relative

to Kansas fort

See 23/59

Dec. 23.

59.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st inst enclosing letters from Messrs. Andersen and Mathiesen respecting the gold produced in Kansas, on from the Pikes Peak gold region.

The amounts of gold secured from that region up to the close of business yesterday is \$202,250.79.

Average value of grain per oz. before melting \$15.81

" " " Amalgam " " " \$15.44

" " " grain " after melting \$16.75

" " " amalgam " " " 16.37

The loss in melting is very variable as to individuals and depends on grain and amalgam lose from 5 to 20 per cent of weight in melting each of some hundreds of deposits I find the average loss is 9 per cent. On grain alone the losses are from 1 to 6 per cent.

-averages about 4 per cent. These numbers
of course vary much when the amalgam
has not been much heated, or when the
grains contain stony lumps which
secured for deposit at the Mint.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,
James R. Rounan,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

of Com. & carry, under which the analysis
has not been much heated, & on which it
again appears that the same is here
presented for the first time.
Sir,

I desire to be furnished with a
statement of the amount of the
from the "Pikes Peak" gold mine, & the
Mint in Philadelphia. It is the present
time and value for the same.

Yours truly,
J. M. Smith, Esq.
of the Treasury, Wash. D. C.
General Comptroller of the Treasury

See Summary

I enclose the list of the subjects for
that country, directed to the Comptroller
of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Washington D.C.
Dec 15th 1859.

Dr Sir

Will you be kind enough to
furnish me with a statement of amount
of gold dust recd at your office from
the, "Pikes Peak gold region" being
the Delegate to Congress from the
proposed Territory of Jefferson I desire
to collect all information on this
subject, hoping an early reply—

Will you give also the average value
per oz.

Respectfully

Yours—

B. D. Williams

To.

Superintendent of the
Mint at Philadelphia.

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
December 21st 1859.

James Ross Snowden, Esq.,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

The Hon. Secretary of the Treasury duly referred to this Office your letter of the 2^d inst. relative to certain expenses excepted to in the adjustment of the account of Mr. Walton, the Treasurer of the Mint, for Ordinary Expenses, 3^d qtr. 1859. The press of business has delayed an answer until the present.

Mr. Walton was advised per letter of the 30th ulto., that these expenses were not payable out of the fund appropriated for the Ordinary Expenses of the Mint. The explanations contained in your letter I cannot perceive removes the objection. Congress, in the fee-bill of Feb 26th 1853, has provided for every necessary expense in bringing to justice offenders against the laws of the United States.

You state, however, in justification of the

Treasury Department,
Comptrollers Office
November 30th 1859.

James H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your ac of Ordinary Expenses
for the yr ending Sept 30th 1859, has this day been adjusted
at the Treasury per Rep to 135.830, and a balance found
due from you to the United States of \$37,692.61
Bal claimed by you as due the U.S. per your ac current 37,494.11

Making a difference of \$ 198.50
which is thus explained:- For the amount of the recharges and
disallowances made by Auditor, and concurred in by this
Office, as follows:-

Amounts erroneously passed to the credit of the Treasurer
per Reports Nos 132.561, & 133.336, now recharged, the same not
being payable from the Ordinary Expense fund and described
as follows:- Per Report No 132.561 (3^d 2^d 1858) von 246. - payment to J.G.
Patterson for Expenses incurred in the arrest of James Moore
charged with robbing the Mint \$45.50

Am't carried forward

\$45.50

stunt bro't forward

\$45.50

(4th 21st 58)
Per Report No 133.33^h - von 257 - payment to Joshua Taggart
for Expenses incurred in the arrest of Charles Merrine, James
Moore alias Johnson, & Charles Morris charged with the
same Offense 33.00

Per same Rep - von 263 - payment to Joseph Ewen Recorder
for Official services on same account

20.00

\$98.50

Also for the following disallowances - von 168 - pay-
ment to Joshua Taggart & E. G. Carlin "for services rendered
in August '58. in arresting C. Merrine, C. Morris & J. Moore
who had stolen Coins and a bar of Gold from the
Cabinet @ \$33.33 each - disallowed, the same not being
payable from the Ordinary Expenses Fund \$66.66

Von No 170 - payment to Richard Ellis - This
payment is for services ^{the same} as described in

Von 168, and is disallowed for same reason 33.34 100.00

Difference explained \$198.50

Very Respectfully

Your obt serv't

W. M. Allen

Comptroller

disbursement, that the Secretary of the Treasury, in a letter relative to the matter, addressed to the Hon. J. B. Florence, referred "the matter to the Director of the Mint as one in his discretion."

This letter was not, as you have supposed, filed with the Ac of Mr Walton; but I have procured a copy from the Office of the Secretary, and beg respectfully to enclose it herewith for your consideration. If this letter confers any authority to pay the expenses in question, be pleased to point it out.

I am, respectfully

Yours obt serv't

W. M. McKim
Comptroller,

From the Comptroller
of the Treasury.

Dec 21, 1859,

Regarding the allowances
of compensation for
answering the letters of
the Cabinet.

Dec 24/59

Director's Reply enclosed
within

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 21st inst, respecting the disallowance of certain items in the Treasurer's accounts. I hope that the explanations which I will now offer will remove the objections to these items.

When the Cabinet of the Mint was robbed, I was extremely anxious to recover the valuable pieces taken, as well as ^{to} find out who were the robbers and have them punished. As the best means of accomplishing these objects, the private detective officers Messrs. Saggart, Carlin and Ellis, who are with the Recorder, Mr. Lane, were employed. By their efforts respecting most of the pieces taken were recovered, and the three criminals who robbed the Cabinet were arrested, tried, convicted and sentenced to the Penitentiary - where they now are. You will therefore see that the act of Feb. 26, 1853 - & which expense is made -

establishing fees for public officers, and such apply;
inasmuch as they are private detentions,
and work for such compensation as may
be a reasonable remuneration for their
services.

When I decided that the expenses of
these men should be paid I prepared
to ~~refer~~ the question of their compen-
sation to the Secretary of the Treasury;
They presented to the Department a claim
for \$450. This sum, on any sum, the
Secretary declined to pay for the
reason set forth in his letter to Mr.
Florence - the chief reason being that
there is no fund under the control of
the Secretary of the Treasury which
can be applied to such purposes. But
as the expenditures for the men are
paid under the warrants of the Secretary,
and these men had been employed for
a valuable purpose by him, I was
informed that he had referred the subject
to me as one proper for my

consideration. I do not find any such written reference, and perhaps it was only a verbal one which was communicated to me through Mr. Florence, and with the letter of the Secretary to him.

Finding on an examination that there were precedents for the allowance of similar claims I entertained the application for compensation. These precedents are as follows:—amount paid to W. H. Miller demand for arresting Randall Hutchinson a defaulting clerk in the Mint, as per warrant of the Director, (R. M. Peterson) n^o. 173 for \$300, dated Nov. 11, 1848. also, am^t paid John Eckfeldt for similar services \$200, as per warrant, n^o. 175, dated Nov. 16, 1848.

After some negotiation they agreed to accept \$100 as a full compensation, which was paid to them by the Treasurer on my warrants.

It is known for me to remark that the cabinet is part of the Mint establishment; and any thing which tends to its preservation

is a matter of public interest. I feel quite
confident that if we had not employed the
private detectives we would not have recover-
ed the pieces stolen, nor recovered and
punished the robbers - who were not only
committing a felony - but an act of
great discourtesy in abusing our hospi-
tality, in permitting them to enter the
premises of the Mint and examine
the Cabinet of Coins!

The pieces recovered were particu-
larly valuable on account of their rarity,
and their intrinsic value was considerably
over \$100.

I hope in view of these facts that you
will consider that the payments in question
(- those heretofore audited and credited, as
well as the item recently disallowed) were
proper subjects of the Director's warrant,
and come within the provision in the 2^d para-
graph of the 2^d section of the Mint Law, which
provides that the Treasurer "shall keep all the
current accounts of the Mint, and pay all
monies due by the Mint on the warrants
from the Director."

Trusting that this explanation will be
satisfactory to you,

Yours, with the highest respect,
Hon. William Medill
Joseph Henry Treasurer
Washington City. James R. Newell
Director of the Mint.



Hall of M^r. Ins.
Bal^y. Dec. 21. 1858

Hon Jas. Rob Snowden
W. Va

Inclosed
you will find \$21. - for
which please have made
for us six Silver Medals,
and send them by express
at your earliest convenience,
we need that number to
complete our awards

very resptly

Yours over,
John S. Selby
Acty. M^r. Ins.

From John S. Selby Esq
Actuary Md Inst
Baltimore
Md

Order for medals

Dec 23. 1856

New York, 20th. Dec. 1859

No. 27 Cooper Institute

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U. S. M. Mint.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed is

the original statement of the Tare of
Fifty seven Bbls. California Suez,
bought of you, last Sept.

This statement I have detached from
the Acc. Sales, just received from London.

It falls short of the California Tare
Sixty six pounds, and is, consequently,
so much gain to the Mint.

According to my calculation there is
indebted to me a balance of $\$156 \frac{48}{100}$;
having advanced you $\$5400$, and the
value of the Suez being $\$5243 \frac{52}{100}$

Please verify my calculation and
inform me accordingly.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.,
J. W. Garrison.

Col. James Ross Snowden
Director U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia,
Pa.

Chew Phil^a Dec 20 1859

A. S. Mint
Phil^a Pa
Sir

I sent to your Office
this day seven ounces 12 pence weight gold dust for which
you will please coin and send me agreeable to the
following address

John Shindler
via Chew Phil^a
Bayard Fincannon's
Ohio

(A B 1)

Please send via Express to the
above address

John Shindler

Deposited December 22nd & paid the 24th
to you per Adams & Co. Express

A. S. Mocha

1311 Dec 22 -

From
John Shindler
New Philadelphia
Ohio

Rept Deposit

Dec 30 1889

Hartford Dec. 20. 1853

James B. Snowden Esq.

I have with me
you \$190.⁵⁰ Dollars in payment for
Medals ordered for the Conn. State
Agl. Society. I was absent from
the City at the time your letter
was recd. or I should have made
this remittance at an earlier day

Respectfully Yours

F. A. Brown

Treasurer,

12 96
3 74.50
273 1/2 118.50
81 350
94.50

Plum forward the Medals by return
Express.

Charged to the State

Medals A/c

Dec 22, 1853

From Dr.
J A Farrow Esq
Dear Comr Sill
Ayl Soc
Hartford
Conn

Medals forwarded
Dues \$190.50 Recd,

Dec 27. 1839

The Conn. State Agricultural Society
To Medal Fund Cb. A. Abbott Dr.

1857 Dec 22 1/8 Fine gold medals @ \$12 = \$96.00
" " " 27 " Silver Medals @ \$3.50 94.50
\$190.50

Remind of E. A. Brown Esq Treasurer Conn
Soc. Ag. See payment of the above bill
Samuel R. Anderson.
Director of the Mint

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. Dec 27. 1857

Sir,

Attn please find receipted bill for the medals
forwarded to you on the 22^d. not per Adams Express Co.

You will please sign the enclosed voucher and return
it home.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Anderson.
Director of the Mint

E. A. Brown Esq.
Treas. Conn. State Ag. Soc.,
Hartford, Conn.

Form 28A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

J. S. Frederick. Engraver.

Fourth above Walnut St. East Side

Philadelphia

Lancaster Dec 14 1859

Hon. J Robt Snowden

Dear Sir

In-

closed is a check on "Lancaster County Bank for Twenty and $7\frac{3}{4}$ dollars, which, at the prices the former Medals were furnished, is presumed to be the amt for those recently ordered. If however it is not right we will make it so. Please deliver the medals when finished to ~~the~~ the address on the inclosed Slip — who is authorized to receive them.

Yours Truly

W. Rathbone

Chm. Care on Medals
Felt, Inst.

P.S. Please send Receipt
for the amt —

W. H. F. Institute Lancaster, Pa.
To Medals from U. S. Mint 50

1889 Dec 17	To 6 Union Medals	at 3.25 =	\$19.50
" " "	2 Nickel "	1.81 $\frac{1}{2}$	3.63
			<u>\$23.13</u>

by 1 Union Medal returned	2.38
	<u>\$20.75</u>

Received Payment

James B. F. Chandler
Director of the Mint.

My Report
Sum. of the
Minister of the

H. R. R. R. R.
Chambers R. R. R.
F. R. R. R. R.
R. R. R.

Chief of the Mission
Phila? Dec 7. 1887

Dear Sir

I am writing you of
the 14th inst enclosing checks for
payment of the same

The medals are finished
and will be placed in the hands
of Mr. K. K. K. on Monday
next.

Enclosed please find re-
ceipts for the medals,
and vouchers for the amount
paid for the same, and
return to my address.

The amount charged for
these medals is only 94 cents
and not more than actual
cost and if you should have
over any more Nickel Medals
we shall have to charge
the same price for them as for

9. 995.181 - 638.954.45
 900 750 531. 652 35-
 467. 522 3. 327. 336. 68
 3. 388 15. 115 00
 8 168 40. 840
 1 121 767. 356 54

11, 3 76 130. 5, 3 21 25-5-0 2

647, 498. 77
 348, 845. 611
 2641 671. 74
 16 448-81
 42 930. 40
 731. 828 96

4, 4 28 421. 23

Wm L
J. S. Rathbun
Ch Com^t Medals
Lancaster

Enclosing accepted
Bill for Medals

Dec 17, 1839

G. S. Allen
2. Nickel

To

L A Brown Esq
Treasr. Conn St Agr Soc
Hartford Conn

Rever my request
of Oct 1st for
Remittance to pay
for Medals

Dec 17. 1884

Director of the United States
Phil: Dec 17. 1887

Dear Sir,

On the 6th inst I wrote
you stating that the medals for
your society were about finished
and requested a remittance of
\$50 in payment thereof. Not
having received a response from
you, I infer that my letter must
have miscarried, and therefore
renew the request that you will
remitt the above amount, upon
the receipt of which, the medals
will be forwarded as you may
direct.

Very Respectfully,
S. B. Anderson
Director of the Mint

E. A. Brown Esq
Treas: Conn State Socy
Hartford, Conn

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Dec 17, 1889

\$309.92 Amount
Paid Director of the Mint
by W. E. Dubois for Dr J. W. Farnum
on a/c Cal^o Sheep.

Boston Dec 16, 1859

Dear Sir

Understanding that you are anxious to obtain any Washington coins in exchange for pattern pieces, I take the liberty of sending you the enclosed Washington Button which I would exchange for a set of pattern half Dollars 1859 either in silver or copper, tho' I should prefer silver,

I have a fine Fame Medal of Washington, (~~only~~ of which only 4 are known to be in existence,) If we can make a good exchange on that I should like to do so. I value it at \$100, over

How far back have you the
dies of cents & half cents, and
would you restitute them in
exchange for the same.

Very Res^{ly}

Your obt^l S^{vt}

Geo. L. Stoddard

28 State St

Boston

To

Hon^{ble} J. Ross Snowden
Philadelphia

Imbr

Geo G Stoddard

Boston

Mass

Washington

Dec 19, 1834

Dec. 19. 9.

dear Sir,

As I hope a specimen
of the Washington button it
will be unnecessary for me to
procure the one you ordered.
It is herewith returned with
my thanks.

I must be glad to obtain
the same medal - the only copy
I have is an excellent electrotype
- and although my supply of
brass pieces for the year are
nearly exhausted with reference
to offer you a set of the
that half dollars - 4 pieces -
in Silver and in Copper.

In answer to your letter inquiring
I have to state that no cents or
half cents of previous date have

been
struck in the Mint, nor are any
others intended to be struck.

Very respectfully
Yours etc. Lincoln

James R. Lincoln
Director of the Mint

Mr Geo. J. Stoddard,
No. 25 State St.
Boston.
Mass.

Form 23 A

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No. of Bank

Date of Report 2-16156

DECEMBER 14 1828

Dec. 14th 59.

Dear Sir,

I thank you for your
favor of the 7th inst; but as I hope
copies of the medals you desire
it will be unnecessary to trouble you
to send them to the Mint.

I am very respectfully
yours at all times,
James R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Kilmorylin

Delaware.

Form 23 A

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Office of the Assistant Treasurer, U. S.

New-York, Dec. 14th 1859

Sir,

Your favor of the 13th instant
is recd. Also by the Adams Express
Company Ten thousand dollars in silver
coins, in part payment of Transfer Draft
No. 6092.

Yours Very respectfully,

J. M. J. C. W.

Apt. Treasurer

L. N. Walton Esqr

Treasurer, U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Pa.

assist. Treas
New York
Dec 14/59

J J Luther
Dec 14/59

W.H.S.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
Dec. 14. 1859.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Be pleased to find herewith enclosed
Copy of the reply of Abner Pratt, Esq. U. S.
Consul at Honolulu, H. I. to the Circular of
April 1st. 1859, on the Currency question.

I am, respectfully,
Yours obt. Servt.
W. M. McKim
Comptroller

From
Comptroller Treasury
Washington

Inclosing papers
on currency question

Dec 18, 1889

Wm L
J Ferris Jr
Hemmington
Delaware

Washington

Dec 14, 1859

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Dec 13th 1859

Sir

I herewith inclose receipt & invoice
of ten boxes Silver bullion of the net value
of \$23,655.64 for which I will thank you
to remit Silver dollars, at your earliest
convenience

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Bacon
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off
New York

Dec 13/59

No. *34*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Ten boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *23,655.64*)

Twenty three thousand

five hundred & fifty five ^{*64*}/₁₀₀ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ *against all risks,* and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *Dec 13* 1859

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

ORIGINAL.

December 4. 1859

M^r

J. P. Snowden I take our pleasure to inform
you that I have discovered a quantity of ~~oil~~ and cannot
tell what kind of ~~oil~~ it is nor any persons that
I have showed it to I will send you a small piece
as I am informed that you can tell what it is I will
be much obliged to you if you will tell me what it
is as soon you can conveniently

And you will oblige your friend
Elias Hannay

Direct your letter

Hertig post office
Venango County
Penn

From

To Elias Hermage
Benango Co
Pa

Dec 22/59

Decemb. 22^d 59.

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I have received your letter of the 13th inst, postmarked 17th.

The metal you enclosed is a piece of white iron, and comes from the hearth-stone of a blast furnace.

I remember that a piece of metal somewhat similar to that which you send to me was shown to me when I lived in Lemango County. It was supposed to be an ore of some kind, but it was metallic iron attached to the stone (matrix) of the hearth of a furnace.

I am very dear & full

John Prince and Oct. 1st.

John Primer and Co. A.S.
Mr. Elias Harnage. James R. Harnage,
Kent's P. O. Director of the U.S. Mint.
Venango County
Penn a.

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Mertina Constancy

Hall & Co. Ins.

Balt: Dec. 12. 1859

Hon. J. R. Snowden

Director of Mint

D. C.

Please have
made for us as soon as can
conveniently be done

37 Silver Medals from
the large one - And much
oblige - very resptly

Yours
John S. Selby
Actuary

2 Strips for med

From Dr

John A Selby Esq
Act Md Inst
Baltimore
Md

Request Remittance
for medals. -

Dec 17. 1839

Request Renewed
Jan 3. 1860 -

From Dr

John A Selby Esq
Act Md Govt
Baltimore
Md

Request Remittance
for medals. -

Dec 17. 1839

Request Renewed
Jan 3. 1860 -

Chief of the United States Mint
Phila. Dec 17. 1857.

Dear Sir,

The medals ordered by You
on the 12th inst will be finished in
the course of a day or two. In the
meantime please remit the cost
thereof, viz. \$129.00.

Very Respectfully,
J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint

John A. Henry Esq,
Acting Ind. Just.
Baltimore,
Md.

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No. of Bank

Date of Report

Burlington New Jersey

Dec 12. 1859.

Col. Saml Rob. Snowden

Sir

The enclosed Paper from
the Rev of Mary Queen of
Scots, I obtained from "Holy
Rood" Palace, when in Scotland
in 1841. The duplicate you
have seen manifested in the
accompanyment, and the collection
of coins, Medals, and other relics
of Antiquity in the Cabinet
of the Mint, induces me to
ask your acceptance of this
Antique, should you deem it
suitable for that purpose.

I am, Very Respectfully
Yours Otho Lord
Alderson

From To

May A W ~~Burne~~
W S Minv

Parcel from
Bd of
May Queen of
Scotts

Dec 14, 1839

Dec. 14.

59.

Dear Sir,

As I do not think
the coin which you send me
would find an appropriate
place in the Cabinet of
the Mint I enclose it
to you, with my thanks
for your kind consideration.

Very respectfully
yours etc. etc.

Samuel R. Vanecko
Director of the Mint.

Maj. A. W. Burns,

Pres. of the

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Department of State,
Washington, 16 Dec^r 1859.

James Ross Snowden, Esq
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Sir;

There is enclosed herewith a design for a medal,
a die of which it is proposed to have made.

The die is to be cut in the highest style of the art.
The diameter of the Medal to be two and one half
inches, and one fourth of an inch in thickness.

I will thank you to inform this Department,
whether you can have the work executed at the Mint,
the cost, and the time required to complete it.

A similar design six inches in diameter, in pencil,
will be sent you should you desire it.

I am, Sir,

Your ob^d Servant

John Appleton
Assistant Secretary.

copy

Mint of the United States
Philada Dec 19, 1859

Dear Sir

In reply to the note of the Assistant Secretary of State of the 16th Inst, which you refer to me for consideration, I would be glad to say, that the execution of a pair of medal dies, to strike a medal two and one half inches in diameter, after the accompanying designs, "in the highest style of the art," will be worth \$1200. the time required from three to four months. It can be done at the Mint, I presume, if the matter be approved by the Treasury Department.

J. W. Snowden
Director.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c
James B. Longacre
Engraver of the Mint.

From + To
Hon John Appleton
Asst. Sec State
Washington

Inclosing designs for
Medal die & engraving
cost &c of making
same at the Mint

Dec 19. 1879

December 20. 59.

Sir,

I referred your letter of the 16th inst - enclosing
designs for a medal - to the Inspector of the
Mint. His communication to me on the subject
I herewith enclose. The work can be
executed at the Mint without interfering with
the regular business of procuring the coining
dies for the Mint and its branches. If the
brass mentioned by Mr. Yonge are satisfactory
to you, I would thank you to obtain the
sanction of the Treasury Department that the
work may be done at the Mint. It will
be unnecessary to send the other designs of
which you speak. If the work is executed at
the Mint a model will be prepared of one
the designs you have furnished and submitted
for your approval before the dies are actually
commenced.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Yours ob^d servant,

Dear John Appleton.

Assistant Secretary of State,
Washington D.C.

Samuel Hays, Esq.,
Director of the Mint

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

December 10. 1859

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$42,121.60 in Gold Coins in payment
of invoice No 33.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Esco
Treasurer

Pres. Atty Off

New York

Dec 10/59

Philad^a Dec^r 9. 1839.
Col. James Ross Snowden.
Director United States Mint.

Dear Sir.

Allow me to make the Enquiry if a Bid would be entertained for the Copper advertised, to be exchanged for New Copper at a certain per Centage off.

I would be pleased to enter into an arrangement, to take the Copper now on hand & from time to time as it may accumulate, & give New Copper in exchange at a certain per centage off, as we may agree upon.

In this way it would make no difference in regard to the fluctuation of Prices in Copper from time to time. If it could be agreed upon that I should get so many lbs of old Copper for so many lbs of the best Lake Superior new Copper.

If you think favorably of this plan, please let me hear from you & I will send in my proposition to that effect.

Your Most Obedient Servant
David Phillips

J. M. L.

Mass Phillips

Phila.

Proposition to exchange
Lake Superior copper
for Centingot copper

Dec 12, 1839 -

Dec. 12. - 59.

Dear Sir,

In response to your letter of the 9th inst I have to state that I am ready to receive your proposition in reference to the exchange of the cent in pot copper for the Lake Superior Copper.

Very respectfully
your obedient servant
James R. Thompson.
Director of the Mint.

W. M. Phillips.

Manufacturing Chemist.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

December 9th 1859

Sir

If a remittance of Silver Bullion (say twenty five Thousand Ounces) be made to you on Monday or Tuesday, is there a probability of your making returns for the same, in Silver dollars, prior to the close of this quarter?

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. C. Seco
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

28,000
23
194
297

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Dec 9/59

J. L. L. L. L.

Dec 9/59.

183
35
148

Collinsville Dec 8th

J. R. Shouder Esq

Dear Sir

Enclosed please
find a specimen of the Franklin
Copper and one in Silver I had but
six struck in Silver and one hundred
in Copper I can send you more if
you please

Yours Respectfully

H. A. Rust

James Ross Shouder Esq
Ph., Pa

Jm L

H N Rust

Columbiana

Conn

Washington

Dec 14, 1839

Dec 14. 88

Dear Sir,

I thank you for
enclosing to me a specimen
of the Franklin Copper, and
one in silver but as I do
not design to keep them
they are herewith returned.

Very respectfully
Yours W. H. Rast.
Samuel R. R. R.

W. H. Rast.
Columbia,

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

DECEMBER 8TH 1859

✓ 27,

In compliance with the request
expressed in your favor of the 9th ult. I
have caused an examination to be
made of the three specimens of ore
which were sent to the Mint by Mr.
James M. Smith of Alexandria, Virg.
The officer of the Mint who made the
analysis reports to me that he found
no gold in nos. 1 and 2. and that
"no. 3 contains only traces of gold,
if any."

We cannot understand how
they could have found gold in such
quantity as stated in the letter of Mr.
Smith if the specimens we received
were of the same character as those
transmitted to the Smithsonian Institution
and to Mr. Deloyne of Baltimore.

Yrs. H. C. C. C.
Secretary of the Treasury

I have the honor to be,
With great respect
Your faithful servant
James R. Snowden
Director of the

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Curlsville Dec. 8th / 59

Dear Sir

I have boxed specimens
of two kinds of ore to send to
you to have analysed The one
kind I put up in paper by itself
so that if either contain anything
that you can distinguish them
in writing to me.

Very Respectfully yours &c.

J. Bittenbender

Col. James Ross Snowden }

Philadelphia

Exm No

L. J. Pottenbender

Curlsville

Ra

Examination
of Mineral Specimens

Dec 17, 1889

Dec. 17.th 9.

Dear Sir,

I have examined the box containing the ones referred to in your letter of the 8th inst. and have caused them to be examined. They are of poor quality of work and containing none of the fragments mentioned. The three specimens in paper are of no value and one in a slaty rock and of no value.

I am, very respectfully

Yours &c.

James P. Crocker.

Director of the U. S. Mus.

Mr. J. B. Bitterman,

Cumville, Clarion Co. Pa.

No. of Bank -----

Date of Report -----

R. M. HENDERSON, President.
W. M. BEETEM, Cashier.
J. P. HASSLER, Assistant Cashier. }

Carlisle Deposit Bank.

Carlisle, Pa., Dec. 8 — 1857

J. P. Hassler Esq., Cashier,

Dear Sir: Your favor of the
inst., with its enclosure, has been received.

Respectfully Yours,
W. M. Beetem Cashier.

I enclose for collection

Your answer to my despatch stated that the
Certificate, for the \$3,000. would not be payable until Saturday,
but in the mean time you would forward me the Certificate -

Yesterday I sent another despatch to know why you did not
comply with your promise, to which I have received no reply
either by despatch or letter this morning. - I have explained

I am, Mr. Pector

Carth.

Carthage deposit B12

Respecting Certificate
of deposit

Dec 9, 1837

NATIONAL TELEGRAPH

LINES

To Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Louisville, St. Louis,
Chicago, New Orleans,

AND ALL INTERMEDIATE PLACES,

Office, No. 105 South Third Street, below Chestnut St.,
PHILADELPHIA.

MELANCHLIN BROTHERS PRS.

Dated at *Carleisle* *Dec 7* 1859.

To *J R Snowden*
U S Mint

*Can't I prevail upon
you to send that ~~co~~
certificate*

W M Beeton

9-30/50

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Dec 8. 1859.

Dear Sir,

Your telegraphic despatch of yesterday
was not received until this morning. The certificate
^{therein} referred ~~to therein~~ will be forwarded to you today by
the Express Agent who made the deposit for you and
will be paid ~~on~~ to you on its presentation
at the Mint

From To
Wm. Decten &
Cash. paid to deposit M^{rs} M^{rs}
Carline
P^g

Certificate for Silver
not forwarded

Dec 5. 1839.

To
Jed A Brown Esq
Trustee &
Hartford Conn

Request payment
for medals

Dec 6. 1889

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Dec. 6. 1859.

Dear Sir.

The medals ordered by you on the
16th ult^o will be ready to forward in the course of
a few days - In the meantime please permit^{me} the
cost thereof viz. \$190.50.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Mendenhall,
Director of the Mint.

L. A. Brown Esq.
Treas. Conn. State A. Soc.
Hartford,
Conn.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia Dec 5. 1857.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 31st inst and that
of the Secretary of your institute of the same date
with its enclosure, has been received.

The medals requested will be
made and forwarded to you in the course of
two weeks.

Respectfully Yours,
James A. R. Johnston,
Director of the Mint

J. P. Rittenberg Esq.,
American Committee of the
Delta Institute,
Lancaster,
Pa.

Lancaster Dec 3 1859
Hon J. R. Snodden

Dear Sir

The Fulton
Institute is in need of five more
Silver Medals, and also two of
Nickel. You will therefore please
strike off that number as soon
as you can and let me know
when they are ready for delivery -
Yours &c my truly

J. F. Statheron
Chm. of Commutation
Medals

P.S. Send bill

6 Silver Medals

2 Nickel

Lancaster Decr 3^d 1859

Hon J. R. Bowden

Sir

Enclosed please find

Silver Medal Spoiled by Engraving -
In addition to the Lot ordered this day
by S. J. Rathbone please make one other
~~in place of this~~ in place of this, allowing for the
Value of the Silver

Yours

Wm. H. Smith Esq

Order for Medal

placed in for Lot

Value of Silver

Tom Ho

S. J. Rathbone Esq
Lancaster
Pa

Order for Medals
for Fulton Institute

Dec 5, 1839

Order for one Medal
placed in J. W. Eckford's
hands Dec 5, 1839
L

New York Dec: 5th 1864
Gentlemen

I have got ^{about} a 500 Pounds
of Silver. Would you be so kind
as to let me know if you are
coining at present, and how long
it would take to have the said
quantity coined, or could I dispose
of it with you in any other way.

Yours Respectfully
Joseph H. Secor

Please address
Joseph H. Secor
Jersey Hotel 71 Cortland Street
New York
N. Y.

Wm
Joseph Hecor
New York

Proc of Secm

Circular sent

Dec 6. 1839

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Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
Decr. 5th 1859.

James Ross Snowden, Esq.,
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: Enclosed please find reply (copy) of
Henry Sawyer, U. S. Consul at Paramaribo,
to the Currency Circular of April 1st 1859.

I am, respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.,

W. McKee

Comptroller.

P. S. Also please find enclosed, a printed Document
just received from the U. S. Consul at Elsinore,
which may be of service, as showing the relative
value of gold & silver Coins in Hamburg.

Wm
Am W. McMillan
Comptroller
Treasury Dept

Enclosing papers
on currency question

Dec 7. 1859

London, 4.th Dec. 1854

Poste-Restante.

Dear Sir,

For the One Hundred and Forty five Barrels of Mint Snuff, advertised for Sale, on the 15.th of January next, I hereby offer Three Fourths of the value, as reported by the Mint Assay.

Please observe, that my offer is for the One Hundred and Forty five Barrels, and not for any portion thereof.

Should any portion of the One Hundred and Forty five Barrels, fall below Thirty five cents of lb. as estimated by the Mint Assay, for said portion, I decline making any offer; in that event, my offer is limited to all those Barrels that may exceed that value.

Yours, Respectfully,
Hon. Daniel Sturgeon, Com. Sec.
Director
Genl. James Ross Snowden, Secy. W. Warren.

Duplicate offer for 135 Bbls.
of Smea, to be sold on 15th January,
to be opened on that Date.

Col. J. Ross Snowden,
Director U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



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Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office.
Dec. 3^d 1859.

Jas. Ross Snowden Esq.
Director of the Mint.
Sir.

I herewith transmit for your
proper action copies of replies received from
the U. S. Consulates at Cobija, & Tenerife,
respectively, to the Currency Circular.

I am respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servant.

W. M. McKee
Comptroller.

From Hon W Medill
Comptroller

Enclosing reports
on currency question

Dec 3, 1859

Treasury Department
First Auditor's Office
December 3^d 1859

James H. Walton Esq
Treas U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Sir

Your Pullion
account for the 3^d Quarter 1859 has
been received.

Very Respectfully
Edmund
Auditor

First Auditor

Washington

Dec 3/59

No. 33.

Eight Bars of Fine Gold
transmitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage, in
pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by John J. Cisco,
Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, New York.

1859.
Dec. 1

One Box #1. containing

ounces dec.
Nos. 1514 @ 1521. weigh? 2061.27 @ 993 1/2 F.

Stand. g 2275.413 = \$ 42333.27

Deduct for Coinage 1/2% 211.67

Net Value, \$ 42,121.60

No 33, Gold

\$ 42.12.60

Received 2^d December 1859

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a Dec 1, 1859.

Gentlemen.

I have to request that you will inform me ~~at what price~~ on what terms you will undertake to furnish & put up at the Mint. Six plain Cylinder Boilers, each 40 inches in diameter and 24 feet long; six heaters suspended underneath, 30 inches diameter and 10 feet long; a fire front with bearers and grate bars and three gauge cocks to each boiler.

The iron for the boilers, to be $5/16$ of an inch in thickness, and of the best Pennsylvania charcoal metal.

By calling at the Mint you can ascertain more fully the nature of the work required.

J R S

To Messrs Reaney, Nephew & Co
Merrick St

And Mathewes & Co
Philad^a

Done this

To

Messrs Reaney Macfie & Co.
& others,

Invite proposals to put
up 6 Boilers at
the Mint

Dec 4, 1839

Jmrs L
Mr J. Laird
Newark
Ohio

Enquiries as
to "Mural Rod"

Dec 1, 1839

Newark, Licking Co, O. Nov 28th 1859

Dear Sir, — A Letter of introduction to you would be advisable
were I acquainted with any of your personal friends, but
I am not, — wishing some information, I suppose you
to be, the most likely, to be capable, of giving it — I,
I, wish to know wheather there is any Instrument, by which
a deposit of Silver Coin, hid in the Earth, or Silver or
Lead Bar can be found, I, I, I, have seen in old Books
the Mineral Rod Spoken of, by Several Authors, but no des-
cription given of them — will you be kind enough to infor-
-m me wheather there is any such Instruments, that can
be relied on, and if so where they may be obtained, and
what the price, &c, and by so doing you will much
oblige yours^{de}, T. Laird,
P. S. please Direct to T. Laird, Newark, Licking Co. O,

December 1. 59.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 28th ult^o I have to state that I know nothing about any "mineral road", for the purposes you mention: neither do I suppose it to be at all probable that any such instrument ever was made, or had any existence.

Very respectfully

Your obt^o servant,

James Ross Chambers,
Director of the Mint.

Mr. G. Laird

Newark,

Licking County, Ohio.

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Cambridge Decr 12th '69

Dear Sir

I am much obliged for the three pattern half dollars which you sent me and which came to hand ~~at~~ ^{on} 8th. The die seems to me a great advance on the old style of half dollar, and all who have seen the pieces have been greatly pleased with their appearance. The fourth one has not yet come to hand.

Yrs. respectfully.
- Miram S. Shurtliff.

To
Col. J. R. Snowden
Director U.S. Mint.

P.S. The three which I have, have obv. head of Liberty
rev. ~~respectively~~ ^{half} dollar, ^{$\frac{1}{2}$} dollar, and ⁵⁰ cents.

From

Harmon Shuttlecraft

Cambridge

Acc Receipt
of 3 half dollars
Specimens

Dec 18. 1839 —

To
The Secretary of the Treasury

Change in the device
for the 50c & 10c
50c recommended

10 Specimen Cents
1860 enclosed showing
proposed change
of wreath on reverse

Dec 13, 1839

December 13.th 59.

Sir,

I acquiesce, with great cheerfulness, in your decision as to the proposed change in the design of the silver coinage. It would seem inexpedient at the present time to make so great a change as the one last proposed recommended. We will therefore make no alteration in the dollar, nor the half dollar nor the quarter dollar.

On the dime and half dime the eagle has always been omitted, a wreath having been adopted which encloses the denomination of the coin. The wreath which I proposed for the half dollar, as presented in the specimens heres, is much superior to the present wreath. I propose therefore, with your permission, to place the new wreath on the dime and half dime.

A modification of the design on the
reverse of the Cent is desirable. I propose
to introduce the Shield upon the reverse.
This will give it a more national
character, ~~than~~ and as a decided im-
provement upon the present coin. I
enclose a few specimen pieces I have
caused to be struck.

The dies for the dime and half-dime
and Cent are now being made, and
I wish as happy to have your early
approval of the proposed design
mended.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,
James P. Swannell,
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Howell Cobb,

Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City

No. of Bank

Date of Report

Treasury Department
Dec^r 14. 1859.

Sir

Yours of the 13.th has been received with the specimens of the Cent Coins proposed to be issued in 1860. and the Department approves of the changes suggested by you for the dimes - half dimes and Cents.

I am very Respects
Wm Will ~~Good~~
Sec of the Treasury

J R Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint
Philad^a

From
Hon. Howell Cobb
See Treasury

Approving changes
in duties of the
Sms. Half dime
& Cent

Dec 15, 1839

Mint of the U. States
Melting & Refining Dept.
Phila 17th Dec. 1859.

Sir

~~There~~ There is a growing taste for collecting coins, evidenced by the demand ^{this year} for 800 sets of silver master-coins & 80 sets of the Gold, & by the demand for specimens of ^{our} past coinage, whether gold, silver or copper. ~~and since the taste for collecting coins~~ The desire for collecting coins, is attended by an indirect improvement in the public taste for the Fine Arts, & by the development of veneration for the past, without being necessarily accompanied by objectionable features.

In consideration of these facts & inferences, I suggest the following plan, by which numismatic taste may be gratified, without expense to the Mint, & without ~~less~~ serious inconvenience to ~~the~~ ^{its} officers.

1. That sets of master-coins be struck as soon after the commencement of the year as the ~~public~~ business of the Mint will permit, & the sets delivered upon request, as heretofore, with additional charges to cover the cost of special preparation, as suggested by the Director. The demand of the present year being taken as the type, 1000 silver & 100 gold sets might be struck, ~~perhaps~~ ~~2000~~ cents.

2. Since there has been expended upon experimental ~~pieces~~ dies a large amount of art, both in design and execution, it would be desirable that this should not be lost ~~upon~~ ^{to} the public taste. ~~I therefore suggest~~ moreover ~~such~~ ^{the} trial pieces such experiments should be matters of history, as well as the actual coinage.

I therefore suggest that, when such dies are tested by trial-pieces, & after defects in them have been remedied, a convenient number, say 1000, be struck in copper or the cent-metal, & these carefully reserved until the master coins are issued at the beginning of the ^{following} year when the trial pieces may be disposed of at the same time & in the same manner, viz. one set to each applicant, & at a charge fully remunerative to the government.

I suggest Copper or Copper-nickel, because those metals are either better or ^{at least} equally well adapted to convey the artist's skill & the history of the experiment, and are moreover unattended by an unnecessary ~~storage~~ ^{withholding} of bullion from immediate use.

3. I further suggest that, as it is very desirable to have a Catalogue of the Mint Cabinet published, for the sake of visitors, as well as of numismatists, — it should be issued at a charge to the Cabinet fund, and that the ~~profits~~ ^{receipts} from its sale, at a moderate but positively remunerating price, be placed to the Credit of the same fund.

The profits ~~for~~ arising from the issue of master coins & trial pieces ~~should also~~ may be put, either to the ordinary acct. or to the credit of the Cabinet fund.

Very truly yours
J. C. Booth
M.A.R.

J. R. Snowden Esq.
Director
re. S. Mint

Prof Proth's
Suggestion And
Coins for Neumatronics etc
1859

V

Department of State,
Washington 30.th Dec^r 1859.
James Pop Inwood Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Sir,

Your letter of the 20.th instant, enclosing one to you from the Engraver of the Mint, stating the cost of a pair of metal dies, for a medal agreeing with a design furnished by this Department, has been received. The Department, with a full sense of your attention to this affair, must inform you, that the funds at its disposal do not warrant the expenditure necessary, and therefore requests that the designs transmitted to you may be returned.

I am, Sir,

Your O^bd. Serv^t.
L. B. LaS.

From To

Hon Secy of State

Washington City

Washington City

Medal dies for
Sept & fine from my
letter of 20th ult. not
to be made. - designs
~~to~~ returned

Jan 3. 1860

Jan. 8. 60.

Sir,

In compliance with the request
contained in your letter of the 30th ult^o,
I herewith send you the
designs for a medal which you presented
in a friendly communication.

On the 13th of August 1858 I sent
you several designs for a medal
and as I have no copies of these
designs I have to request that
you will return them to me.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
Yours / etc. etc.

Hon. Genl. Cap. James Ross Snowden,
Secretary of State, Director of the Mint
Washington City.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857 / DECEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857/DECEMBER - BIDS

Phil. June 17. 1859

The undersigned beg leave to propose to furnish
the U. S. Mint with the Best Quality Lehigh Coal
such as may be required and subject to the approval
of the Director at a Cost of \$4.05 per 2240 lbs.

Hoping this proposition will be satisfactory
Respy.

Wm. S. Wayne Esq
967 Mt Vernon St
Box 1986. P. off Phila

To the
Hon J Ross Snowden
Director U. S. Mint.

Coal

C. S. Wayne & Co.

\$4.85

June 17. 1859

Phil. June 21. 1839

The undersigned would propose to furnish
at the U.S Mint according to the ad-
vertisement for Proposals - The Best Quality
Lithia Cone subject to approval be
for three ⁹⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars (\$3.95) per ton of 2240.4

Respectfully

Chas. S. Wayne Esq
Box 1986 Phil P.O.
on 967 11th Street St

Leone

C. S. Wayne & Co

\$3.95-

June 21. 1859

HARRY CONRAD, President.
WM. PARKER, Sec'y & Treas'r. }

OFFICE, BUCK MOUNTAIN COAL CO.

No. 320 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

Philad June 23 1859

Messrs. Bines & Sheaff are
the only parties authorized
by this Company to bid for
the supplying of coal for the
mint - and the only person
in this City who can furnish
the genuine Buck Mountain
Lehigh Coal

Harry Conrad

Presd

Philad.^a June 24/59
To Col. A. Ross Snowden
Director

The undersigned agree to deliver
at the U. S. Mint for one year from
time of making contract; as much
coal as may be required, to be best
prepared & high coal from the mines of
the Buck Mountain Coal Co. of sizes to
suit, and in tons of 2240 lbs for \$4.38 per ton.

Enclosed is Certificate from Henry Condit
Presdt. of the Buck M. Coal Co. to show our
authority to bid

Very truly
Yours & Sheaff
Thos. L. Warner
Secy.

Coal

Price Sheep

\$4.38

June 24, 1859

Phila^a June 21st 1859

Mr James Ross Snowden.

Dear Sir

I propose
to ~~send~~ the U. S mint with what quantity of coal
they may want for one year ending July 1st 1860
at the following price at \$3.55¢ per ton of 2240 lbs it
is Lehigh company coal which I will send a sample
if required.

Yours Respectfully
Wm^m Thorn

Washington abo Swanson
Southwark

Coal to be tested

Coul

Wm Thom

\$355-

June 21. 1859

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8.

June 26th/89

James Ross Snowden
Director U States Mint

Dear Sir I Report to you
In Accordance with your Directions the quality
of the Different Coals submitted to be Tested by my
Directions

The Coal served under the
Contract of Sharp Leisenring & Co has been of
Excellent Qualities and the Contract in my
Opinion has been well fulfilled

June 17th Rec^d of Lewis Audenried & Co 4 Tons of
West Spring Mountain Coal This is a very fine
Burning coal. It makes more ashes than the
coal we have been using and it will take more
of it to make the same amount of Steam
In my opinion it is not as good a coal for Mint
purposes

June 20th 21st Rec^d from Messrs
Gatzmer & Co 6 Tons. The Qualities of this Coal
is about the same as that sent by Sharp Leis-
enring & Co. It is Reported as being from the
same Mine which I fully believe

22nd Rec^d from Porter & Daly 3 Tons of Lehigh
This is a very good quality of Coal and in my
Opinion comes from the Lehigh Companys Mines
The same Coal was served under the contract
with Mr Thorn. It is not as good for Mint
purposes as the Coal served us the last year

23rd Rec^d of S. C. Collow 4 Tons. This Coal will not suit
with the Mint in full operation and the separating
Room on we would not be able to get steam enough for
the operations

Yours Most Respectfully

Chas L Johnson

Report
Charles Johnson
Engineer -
U.S. Mint

Samples of bond thread

Jan 26, 1889.

Philad June 28th 1859

To The Director U. S. Mint Philada

Sir I propose to sell you
Coal for the Mint free from State and
all other impositions Beaver Meadow
East Schuyl or Spring Mountain Schuyl
Coal at $\$4 \frac{12}{100}$ per Ton of 2240 lbs Sump or Broken
Reference or Security given if Required

Yours Respectfully

Burke McManahan

Reed St. wharf

Philad

Proposal for Coal.

June 28. 1859

Burke & M. Grantham

Phila June 28th 1859

As Ross Snowden Esq }
Director U S Mint }

Dear Sir

I will agree to deliver to the U S Mint situated on Chestnut St Bee Broad with pure, clean, Lehigh Lump & St Boat coal from the 1st of July proximo for Four $\frac{08}{100}$ Dols (\$4.08) pr Ton of 2240 pounds. To be settled for at the end of each & every month for cash for coal delivered during month

Yours Truly

E. Schreiner

S. W Cor Broad & Callowhill St

Love
E. Shriver

\$4.08

June 2^d 1859

PROPOSALS FOR COAL AND WOOD.

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

June 13th 1859.
Proposals for supplying the Mint of the United States with Coal and Wood, from the 1st of July, proximo, (1859.) to the 30th of June next, (1860.) will be received at the Institution until 12 M. of WEDNESDAY, the 29th inst.
The Coal must be the best Anthracite Lehigh, of the lump and stove sizes, and entirely free from bone, slate and other foreign substances; each ton to weigh 2240 lbs.
The Wood to be dry and of the best quality of hickory and spruce pine.
These articles must be delivered at the Mint, at such times and in such quantities as may be required, free from all carting or other charges, and subject to the inspection and approval of the Director.
Proposals may be made for each article separately, and are to be endorsed "Proposals for Coal," "Proposals for Wood."
JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Director of the Mint.
je14-dt29

Milb June 29th 1859

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint

Dear Sir,

I would agree to furnish the Mint of the United States during the year ending June 30th 1860, with the best article of Lehigh Anthracite coal for the sum of three dollars and ninety eight cents (\$3.98) per ton of 2240 lbs.

To conform in every particular to the requirements of the appended advertisement.

Respectfully Yours
Wm. Conway
Brook & Clarke Sts

Coal

Alex Emery

\$3.98

June 29, 1859

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Phil^a June 29th 1859

James Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint

Dear Sir

I would agree to furnish the Mint of the United States during the year ending June 30th 1860, with the best article of Anthracite Coal for the sum of Three Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$3.80) per Ton of 2240 lbs.

In Conform in every particular to the Requirements of the appended advertisement.

This Coal is from the Mammoth vein Schuylkill County and is admitted by Manufacturers generally to have no superior for all practical purposes and is far ahead of most other coal for generating steam.

Respt Yours

Wm. Conway

Broad & Cherry Sts

Boat
Alex. Conway

\$3.80

June 29, 1859

Philad^a June 29th 1829

The undersigned propose to furnish and deliver at the U^S Mint, Philad^a, the quantity of dry Hickory and Spruce Pine Wood that may be required from July 1st 1829 to June 30th 1860, inclusive, the same to be subject to the inspection and approval of the Directors of the Mint; and to be delivered at such time and in such quantities, as may be required at the following prices.

Viz:

Dry Hickory wood at Eight dollars per cord
Spruce Pine wood at Six dollars per cord

Respectfully

Wm. C. Rickard,
Almond St. Wharf

Wm. Amos Ros. Snowden
Director of the Mint

Wood

Geo b Richards

Hickory Wood \$8

Pine \$6

June 29. 1859

Philadelphia June 29th 1855

Col James Ross Snowden

Director of the U.S. Mint

Dear Sir we propose to supply
the U.S. Mint with such quantity of Anthracite Schist
Coal as may be required and like a sample we del-
ivered at the Mint and every way conforming to your
proposal published June 1855 -

for the sum of four Dollars and twenty
five Cents (\$4.²⁵/₁₀₀) per ton of 2240 lbs

Very Respectfully
Daly, Foster & Co

Coal

Daly Porter 86

\$4.25-

June 29. 1859



ALFRED DAY,
COAL DEALER,
No. 721 Swanson Street,
BELOW ALMOND,
PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia
June 29. 1859

Hon: J. Pope Snowden
Director U.S. Mint

Sir:

I will
furnish such quantities of
Anthracite Schuylk Coal as
may be required at the
U.S. Mint. Philad^a during
the ensuing fiscal year at
three ⁸⁹/₁₀₀ dollars (\$3.89) per ton
of 2240 lbs in accordance with
your advertisement dated
June 13th 1859.

I am
Very Respectfully
Yrs obt Servt
Alfred Day

boul

Alfred Day

\$3.87

June 29. 1859

Proposals for coal
June 29. 1859. -

Sharpe Leisenring & Co. Connaught Ridge B.M. 3.99 cts per ton

1	Alex. Leisenring. -	Anthracite Coal (Sch. Co.)	3.80 " "
2	" "	Lehigh Anthracite	3.98 " "
	Bines & Sheaf	Buck Mt. (Lehigh)	4.38
	William Thow.	Lehigh Coal	3.55-
1	Chas. S. Mayne & Co.	Lehigh Coal	3.95-
2	" "	" "	4.05-
	E. Schreiner	Lehigh	4.08
	Andrew Reid & Son. West Spring Mt. (Lehigh)		4.11
	H. S. Gazner	Lehigh	4.20
	Alfred Day	Lehigh	3.89
	Daly Porter & Co.	Lehigh	4.25-
	S. W. Bollons & Co.	Lehigh	4.63

Proposals for Wood

Accepted John S. Ward Offer of renewal same rates
as present year

Geo. C. Reichart He is to pay \$5.00 Pine \$6.00 per cord

List
of
Bids for suppressing
the Murruth Coule

Jan 29, 1889 -



Philad. Dec 29/59

Col. Snowden

Dear Sir

I will agree to serve the U.S.
Mint, another year, with Wood, at the
same price, that I am now getting
Yours Respectfully

Am. D. M. D.

Accepted

Wood

John D Ward

Same as present
contract.

June 29. 59

Philada. June 29th 1859

Col. James Ross Snowden

Dear Sir

We hereby propose
and agree to furnish The Mint of the United
States with Anthracite Lehigh Coal, of the size,
and at such times, and in such quantities as
may be from time to required, at the rate of
Four Dollars and Sixty three cents (\$4.⁶³/₁₀₀ per Ton
of Two thousand two Hundred & forty pounds (2240 lb)
free from all other charges, and subject to the
Inspection and Approval of the Director of the
Mint - For the period of one Year from
the first day of July 1859 -

We have delivered the
Mint a Specimen }

J. W. Collins & Co
No 1120 Market St
Philada -

Saml W. Collins
J. C. Thayer }
George Leamon }

Coal

S. Merriam

\$4.63

June 29. 1859

June 29th 1859

James Ross Snowden Esqr
Dr Sir

We hereby agree to supply
the United States Mint from July 1st 1859,
to June 30th 1860, with the best quality of West
Spring Mountain ^{Lehigh} Coal, of the Lump & Steam-
boat sizes and free from bone, slate or other
foreign substances; each ton to be of 2240 lb,
for Four Dollars and Eleven cents (\$4.11) The
quality of the above coal shall be same
as sample furnished the Mint June 16th 59.
It is understood that the coal shall be
delivered as ordered and free from Carting
or other charges.

Andersson Rommel

If the above contract is accepted, we will guarantee
the faithful performance of it in every particular

Philadelphia June 29/59

Deus Andersson & Co

Coal
Anderson Rummel

\$4.11

June 29, 1859

Philadelphia June 29 1859

We hereby offer to supply the Mint of the United States at Philadelphia with our Council Ridge Buck Mountain Coal according to the specifications contained in your advertisement of the 13th inst herewith appended, at the rate of Three dollars and ninety nine cents — \$3.99 per ton of 2240 pounds.

Sharpe, Lisenring & Co
per G. B. Newton atty

PROPOSALS FOR COAL AND WOOD.
MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.
June 13th. 1859. }
Proposals for supplying the Mint of the United States with Coal and Wood, from the 1st of July, proximo, (1859,) to the 30th of June next, (1860,) will be received at the Institution until 12 M. of WEDNESDAY, the 29th inst.
The Coal must be the best Anthracite Lehigh, of the lump and steamboat sizes, and entirely free from bone, slate and other foreign substances; each ton to weigh 2240 lbs.
The Wood to be dry and of the best quality of hickory and spruce pine.
These articles must be delivered at the Mint, at such times and in such quantities as may be required, free from all carting or other charges, and subject to the inspection and approval of the Director.
Proposals may be made for each article separately, and are to be endorsed "Proposals for Coal," "Proposals for Wood."
JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Director of the Mint.
je14-dt29

In making the above offer we would most respectfully submit to your Consideration the fact that there are some very inferior quantities of Schuylkill Coal that may be offered at a less rate than that above stated, but such Coal would not answer your purposes. The superior quality of our Coal for Steam and Smelting purposes as compared with other varieties of Schuylkill Coal should be taken into consideration in determining the bids offered under your advertisement.

Very Respectfully Yours
Sharpe, Lisenring & Co.
per G. B. Newton atty

July 14th 1859

Col James Ross Snowden
Director U S Mint

Dear Sir according
to your Order I have Tried 3 Tons
Lehigh Coal delivered by Mr Alfred Day
This sample has been very good & It made
plenty of Steam and about the same
amount of Ashes as the Coal sent by
Sharp & Eisenring & Co With the same
kind of Coal as sent us for sample
We could have no Trouble in Carrying
on the Mint Operations

Yours Most Respectfully
Chas Johnson

From
Chas McPherson
to Director of Mink
In reference to Coal
July 14. 1859

Phila. Nov. 15. '59

Dear Sir

I will give 20 cts. per
lb. for one thousand pounds of
old copper.

John Adams
189 P.O. Box

United States Mint

We will give you eighteen cents a pound
for four thousand pounds of the old copper
cents you advertise. If you accept our
offer we will send for it at once.

Very truly
Lones & Peacock

Camden Nov. 13 '59

Philada. Nov. 18/1839.

James R. Snowdon Esq.

I will give 17 Cents for
40,000 lb of the old copper
you advertised

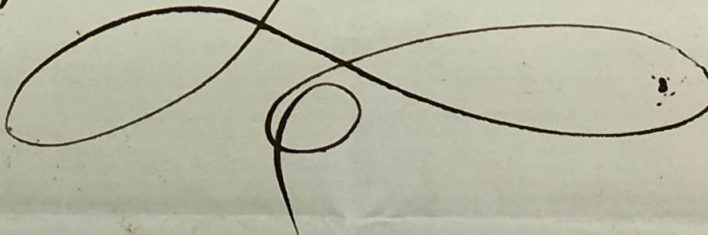
Timothy Jackson
310 Chestnut St.

Camden N. J. Nov 14 59.

J. Ross Snowden

I will pay you 19 cts. a
pound for 1000 of the old copper you ad-
vertize in the North American. Please let
me know if you accept my bid.

Gottman Whittman



In answer to your ad-
vertisement I will offer you
17 cts. for 30,000 pounds
of the old copper. Please
direct to
William Jones

care of
A. Bachman & Co
360 Chestnut St.,

Nov. 20. '59

Mint of the United States
Phila^a: Dec 12, 1859.

Gentlemen. The bids received for the 60,000 lbs.
of copper offered for sale in my advertisement
of the 17th ult^o were opened today and being
found unsatisfactory as to price, were all
rejected.

Very Respectfully,

Director of the Mint

Messrs. A. T. Bachman & Co.
310 Chestnut St.
Phila^a.

Mint of the United States,

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Philadelphia, 1859.

Nov 2 1859.	100.000	66 Copper	23 1/2
Oct 17 /59.	58,153	"	23 1/2
May 16/59	25 583.		25 ¢
March 14/59.	55 522		25 1/4 ¢

Dec 15/58,	No 209.
Aug 3 /58,	141
Jan 30/58	25,

70.000
20.75
<u>60.000</u>
12,450.0.

Fish sale,	20 ¢
Nov 16/48,	21 1/4
Feb 1859,	21.
May 21/59,	22 1/2

Mr. N. A. James	20. $\frac{3}{4}$	
	cents, he found.	
Mr. Phillips	20. $\frac{1}{2}$	20.
difference	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	

23 32
<u>20.75</u>
23 32 -

No 104 Walnut st.

Philada. Dec. 10. 1859.

To the Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir.

In accordance with advertisement of 14th Nov. 1859 -

I am authorized to offer
Nineteen and a half ($19\frac{1}{2}$) cents per pound
for fifty thousand (50000) pounds old
hunny copper -

Respectfully Yours

Lewis B. Ralston
Broker

127. South. Front St.
Dec^r 22 1839.

Sir.

I would propose to offer Twenty
three quarters cents ($20\frac{3}{4}^{\text{c}}$) for \$ for Sixty
thousand pounds. old penny copper as adver-
tised for sale on 17th ult.

Very Respectly -

Wm A James

J R Snodden Esq
Drus Mint -
Philad^a

acceptd

$22\frac{1}{8}$

$23\frac{1}{2}$

15

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2.

$20\frac{1}{2}$

20

23.5

20.75

2.75

Bids
for
Copper

Dec 12. 1859

All rejected
on account of price
being unsatisfactory
& Bids conforming

Special File

104 Walnut St.

Philadelphia, Dec. 16. 1859

J. R. Snowden Esq

Director U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Sir,

I am authorized to offer Twenty
and twenty one fortieths ($20\frac{1}{2} \times 1000$) cents per
pound for the fifty thousand (50,000) pounds
old penny copper - and should like to have
a reply at your earliest convenience -

Very respectfully

Lewis W. Ralston
Broker

From
Lewis W. Rulston
Philadelphia

Albany Copper.
Dec. 16. 1859

Beds'
H

1859

Philadelphia December 22. 1859.
Col. James Ross Snowden
Director U. S. Mint.

Dear Sir.

I propose to contract with the U. S. Mint to take all the Old Cent Copper now on hand that which may accumulate from time to time during the year 1860, and return for the same from time to time in exchange, the best Lake Superior Copper, pound for pound & receive a difference of $3\frac{1}{2}$ per lb Cash; or I will purchase the Old Cent copper you have now on hand for Cash at $20\frac{1}{2}$ per lb and contract for the year 1860 as above.

The late bids for the old Cent Copper have been predicated on the high state of the market for new Copper. Copper has advanced very much in Europe & is at present higher here than it has been for some time.

On referring to your purchases of New Copper & sales of Old Copper from time to time you will find the difference I ask between the Old & New Copper is moderate. I shall be pleased to hear from you at your convenience.

I remain Your most

Obedient Servant,
David Phillips

Mr

Mon Phillips

Dec 22. 1859

Conditional Bid for
Copper. -

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1857/DECEMBER - BIDS

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / JANUARY

New York, 16th^{Jan.} 1860.

No. 27 Cooper Institute

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint, Philad."

Dear Sir,

Since I mailed
my Letter, in reply to yours of the 15th,
I have been to Mr. Macy, for the pur-
pose of examining the overage out
of the 50 bbls. of Sweep, and I find
there were two hundred and seventy
three fresh green hoops put on the
bbls.

Upon consulting the Cooper, who executed
the work, I am informed there were
one hundred hoops wanting, which
had fallen off before storage.

We weighed an average fresh hoop
and found its weight to be three fourths
of a pound.

The Cooper informed me that the differ-
ence in the weight of a fresh green
hoop and an old dry one, was at
least one fourth of a pound.

With these data, we shall be able to ascertain what weight of hoops ^{was} ~~has~~ been added to the snipe, for which I have had to pay, at the same rate, as I paid for the snipe, but also for attaching the same to the Bussels.

One hundred new fresh hoops weigh seventy five pounds.

The difference between the weight of one hundred & seventy three old Dry hoops, and the same number of fresh green ones is forty three pounds. Thus I have had to pay not only for the wrapping, but for one hundred and ~~sixteen~~ ^{eighteen} pounds of hoops, at the rate of more than eighteen cents lb. If agreeable to you, I will cheerfully pay for the wrapping, provided you will not charge me with the weight of the hoops, which the wrapping added.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Obedt. Servt.
J. W. Barnum.

Col. James Ross 
Director U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia
Pa.



New York, 16th. Jan. 1860.

No. 27 Cooper Institute

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U. S. Mint, Philad^a

Dear Sir,

Your favor of
the 14th. ulto. enclosing ¹¹² Sales of 50
bbh. Smeep was duly received.

I must beg that you will reconsider the
~~two~~ charge you ~~have~~ have made, not
only, on the present, but on the last
purchase, for coo-perage.

It is now fifteen years, since I be-
gan to purchase Smeep of the Mint,
and this is the first time, that any
charge has been made for coo-perage.
In making my offer, I certainly sup-
posed that the bbb. would, as usual,
be delivered, in good order, suitable for
shipment.

If this be a valid charge, a similar
one on the 112 bbb. I bought of the
Philad^a Mint, and all other purchases,
either of the Mint, Branches, or Assay

Office in this city, would be equally so.
During the five years of my residence
abroad, as consignee for the sale
of the Mount Sney, the bbls. were
always delivered, in good condition,
suitable for Shipment, without charge.
I am perfectly willing, that, if, from
the organization of the Mount to the
present day, a single precedent can be
for found, in making sales of Sney,
for charging the buyer with warehouse
to assert that the present charge is
perfectly proper.

Considering the many obligations I am
under to the Mount, it is, with reluct-
tance, that I have demurred to this
charge, but I am so satisfied of
the correctness of the view I have
taken, that I cannot but think,
upon consideration, it will be equally
patent to yourself.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Theo. Pot.
for H. Farnum.

P.S. In my Sales List of the 57 Bbls.
in Europe, I am charged £217¹¹/₆ for
freightage.

[Faint, illegible handwritten text, possibly a list or ledger, visible through the paper.]



From To

Dr E W Farnum

N.Y.

Acct charge for of
Expenses - do
by paid by Farnum
Balance due to Farnum
\$289.06

Jan 17, 1866

Jan 20, Dr E W Farnum

Dr for \$289.06

paid

Special File

Col. James B. Thompson
Director N.Y. St. Mills

Cass Randolph
P. O. Cattaraugus Co
N. Y. Jan. 16 1860

J. R. Worden Esq

Yours favor

requesting a description of
the medal presents to
Gen Blacksnake (recently deceased)
by Gen. Washington I shall be
pained to at my earliest
convenience. The family of the
old Gen. reside 8 miles
from here & the roads are
in very bad condition at
present owing to the recent
thaw.

Yours, very Respectfully
J. A. Allen Esq.

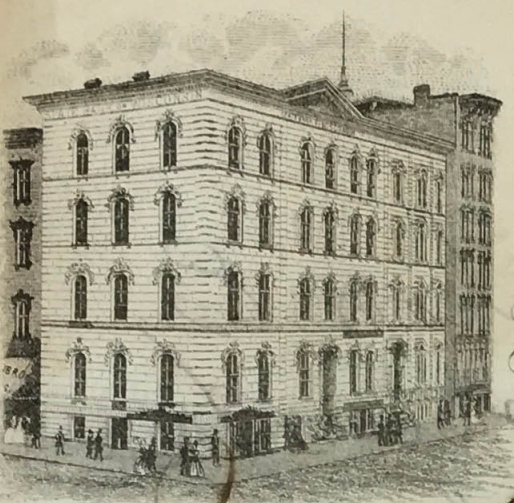
Wm
H. Hoet Esq
P.M.
East Randolph
N.Y.

Will procure a
description of
Medal presented
to Indian Chief
Gw Blacksnake
by Gen Washington
Jan 28. 1860

New York Jun 16th 1869
Dr. J. W. Garrison

Sir. They were two hundred
& seventy three new hoops
put on the fifty of which
sweeping in Mr. Haley's store
which is one hundred more than
the bolls had before Coopers
a new fresh green hoop weighs
 $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pound the old dry hoop
weighs about one half pound
consequently the weight added
by Coopers must be about
one hundred & eighteen pounds

Dowd & Smith
88 Water Slip
New York



State Bank of Wisconsin.

John G. Ambush, Pres.
M. S. Scott, Cash.

Milwaukee 14 Jan'y 1860

James R. Arnold Esq
Denver Col.

I have received your favor of ~~Jan 12~~ and Enclose for collection

I Enclosed checks on Phenix Bank by \$2000
for which please send us by Amer Express Co
Silver as follows.

\$200.	in	Dimes
200.	"	Hf.
100.	"	Quarters
600	"	Halors.

Respectfully Yours
M S Scott
Cash

Wm L

M. I. Scott Esq

Cash & State Bank

Wisconsin

Draft \$2000

enclosed for Selon

com

Draft returned

Jan 19, 1860

JANUARY 14TH 1860

Chief of the United States
Phoenix Island 14. 1960

Dear Sir.

I have received your letter of the 13th
inst with the enclosures stated.

The amount charged for your services
in storing, sampling & the two lots of snags, is satisfactory.

The bills enclosed by You are as follows:

Smith & Macey (in duplicate)	\$57.00
Donahoe Smith	26.15
Mercantile Marine Co	11.52
	<u>\$94.65</u>
To this add charge for services	150.00
	<u>\$244.65</u>
Amount for your services	<u>\$244.65</u>
Difference	<u>\$57.00</u>

As there is but one voucher, among the papers enclosed
by You, for payment to Smith & Macey (which is for \$57)
I infer that You have accidentally charged the
same item twice. If I am correct in assuming
this the amount due You is \$244.65. for services.

and I will honor your draft.

Please accept my thanks for
your prompt attention in the storage, sampling &c
of the snags in question.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel D. Knickerbocker,
Director of the Mint

E. A. R. Esq.,
No. 16 Trinity Building,
New York.

To
E. A. Parker Esq
New York.

Relative to Swamps

Jan'y 14. 1861)

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Jan 14. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$76,672.31 in payment of invoice N^o 1.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

Wm. J. C. W.
Treasurer

Pres. assay Off

N. York

Jan. 14/60

Jan 14/60

J. H. C. C. C.

ack recd 2. 18. 6. 7. 2. 31
Good C. C. C.

U. S. Assay Office
New York Jan 14/1860.

Sir,

In accordance with the regulation of the Department referred to in your letter of the 2^d Nov. last, - "requiring
"all requisitions from the Branch Mints, and
"Assay Office for advances from their respective appropriations for disbursements, for
"these institutions to be forwarded through
"this [your] Office", I now enclose a
requisition for Fifteen thousand dollars, for
the expenditures of the current quarter, viz:

For Salaries of Officers & Clerks,	\$7,000
" Wages of Workmen,	8,000
Total,	\$15,000.

Very respectfully,

Yr. obt. servt.,

Saml. Patterson

Sup

Hon. J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Wm L

Assay Office
New York

Requisition for
\$15000—

Jan 16, 1860

Directors letter enclosing
requisition with their
approval filed
within.—

Mint of the United States.
Paris Jan 16, 1860

Sir,
The proposition enclosed in your letter of
the 14th inst has been transmitted to the department
with my approval.

Very Respectfully,
James A. B. Venable
Director of the Mint.

Saml F. B. B. B. Esq.,
Superintendent of the Mint,
New York.

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Nov 16, 1860

Sir,

I enclose with my approval a requisition from the Superintendent, of the Assay office at New York, for Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) payable from the appropriations for the support of that institution for the current fiscal year.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
Samuel A. B. Rowden,
Director of the Mint

Hon. Howell Cobb,
Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City,

Boston. Jan. 13. '60 —

Dear Sir,

I received the coins in safety & am very glad to know that my money was not a dead loss — I shall send on in a few days for this year's set.

Yours respectfully
W. J. Appleton

Saml S. Appleton
Boston
Mass

Actl Receipt
of Com Master
Com

Jan 14. 1860—

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 13 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$153,113.69
in payment of invoice No. 2.

I have also to
acknowledge the receipt of the specimen half
dollars, the dime & half dime, for which I beg
you will accept my thanks. I would also ex-
press to Col Childs, my full appreciation of
his courtesy & kindness in furnishing them, and
to say, that it would afford me much pleasure
to reimburse the amount, if it would be accepted.

It is very desirable to have new specimens of coin-
age at this Office, as the public expect to see them
here, & parties are frequently calling for that purpose.

JH Walton Esq.

Treas^r U. S. Mint.

Very Respectfully

Wm J. Esco

Manager

Pres. assay of

N. York

Jan 13/60

Jan 13/60

J. J. Liver. Esq

Cash rec'd \$150.663.69.

Duplicate

Philadelphia

January 13th 1860.

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

11 8 Cases sent Alloy 2031^{ts}
12 P " Ditto 2039^{ts}
13 5 " Ditto 1174^{ts}
5244^{ts}

containing 629.28^{ts} Nickel @ \$1.50 943 92
" 4614.72^{ts} Copper @ 23^{cts} 1084 46
2028 38
10 percent for making alloy as per agreement 20284 2231 22

By 3 Cases Copper 1127
1173
1181 = 3481^{ts} @ 23^{cts} 81804

Correct
Jas B Booth
No 10 m & R.

Received Payment
J. McDowell Jr & Co
\$ 1413 18



Attest M. J. Snow

Bali: Jan'y 12. 1860

Hon. J. Ross Snowden

Dr. Sir

Absence from my
Office caused by sickness
prevented my attention to
your request until now,

Please find check for
\$129.50 - the amt. required

very resptly

Yours Obedt. Serv.

John S. Selby

Actuary

Trm 5^{to}
J. A. Selby &
Act Ma Dist.
Balt.
Md

Enclosing check
for 129.50 to
Pay for Medical

Jan 13. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, Jan 11th 1860

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer N. Y. Mint
Sir

I am in receipt this
day of \$398.33 ~~54~~ in full for Invoice
No 71 — Yours respectfully

J. H. Walton
Treasurer

Cent Coinage

ARAMINGO CHEMICAL WORKS,

Philadelphia,

January 11 1860.

United States Mint

Bought of **MORO PHILLIPS,**

No. 27 North Front Street,

MANUFACTURER OF

Oil of Vitriol, Aqua Fortis, Nitric and Muriatic Acids, Copperas, Blue Vitriol, Nitrate of Lead.

100 lbs Nickel a 1.48
60 lbs Copper a 22

59 20

13 20

72 40

Correct

John W Taylor }
Asst Mtr }
R. C. Taylor

Re Payment
L. C. Phillips

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Please address me at No. 19 Tremont St.,
Boston, Jan. 11, 1860.

J. R. Snouden, Esq.
Director of the Mint
Phil^a, Pa.

Dear Sir,

You were kind enough
last year to let me have a set of the Maister coins,
for my own collection, & for two or three friends. I
am desirous of a similar favor ^{this year,} so soon as you are
ready to distribute them. Will the same dies of
silver & gold be issued as last - or will a new
pattern of any be adopted? Please write me
when I shall send my draft, and also if I
may include the three sets for friends? I shall
be glad to receive them ^{at} the earliest date.

Respectfully & very truly
Your obt^l Serv^t

J. K. Wiggin.

From

J. R. Higgin
Boston

Application
for Master's Com.

Circular sent

Jan 14. 1860—

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, January 11. 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt & invoice of two boxes fine gold bars, for the Adams Express Co. of the net value of \$154,350⁰⁰ for which I will thank you to remit double eagles.

Owing to the present stringency in the money market, and the want of specie, experienced by the banks; holders of fine bars, - for which there is at present little demand, for shipment, - are willing to return them to this office, for coins, if there is a prospect of reasonably prompt payment.

I have assured them, of my willingness to facilitate their object, in any possible way, & hope for your coöperation to that effect.

Very Respectfully,

Wm. J. Cress

Treasurer

J H Walton Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Cover

P.S.

The receipt of gold at this office,
and consequently at yours also, for
Coinage, will be largely increased,
in proportion, to the facilities offered
for prompt payment.

Wm. J. C. Ho

Tras

Dear Assay Of

N. York

Jan 11/60

Jan 11/60

J. J. Liver. Esq.

Survice of Good Bullin

No. 4

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Two boxes, containingGold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 154,350.⁰⁰)One hundred & fifty four thousand,
Three hundred & fifty 100 Dollars,which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.New York, Jan 11 1860.

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

Shue Hoey

Dear Sir

Mint of the United States Philad. Jan. 12. 1851

I give below the diameters of each of the coins now issued at the Mint, and also the respective thicknesses of the planchets from which they are struck as ascertained by careful measurement — all in one thousandths of an inch.

Gold	Diameter	Thickness
Double Eagle	1320	1076
Eagle	880	1037
Half Eagle	550	1048
Quarter Eagle	370	1033
Three Dollar	390	1033
Gold Dollar	610	1011
Silver		
Dollar	1270	1033
Half Dollar	870	1033
Quarter Dollar	550	1033
Dime	370	1033
Half Dime	310	1024
Three Cents	350	1018
Cent	200	1018

Respectfully Yours Sir

J. R. Snowden Esq

Mint

James R. Longacre

Legal weight of U. S. Coins under
the deviation allowed by law.

Denomination

Legal weight ~~under~~ ^{over} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~weight~~ ^{weight} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~coin~~ ^{coin}

~~Under~~

One Cent

One Cent

316 grains 0.5 grain

Half Cent

249 . 0.5 .

Two Cent Piece

207 . 0.5 .

One Cent

77.4 . 0.5 .

One Cent

64.5 . 0.5 .

~~Over~~

25.5 . 0.5 .

Half Cent

112.5 . 1.5 .

One Cent

75 . 0.5 .

One Cent

70 . 0.5 .

Half Cent

35.5 . 0.5 .

Two Cent Piece

72 . 0.5 .

64.5 . 0.5 .

One Cent

72 . 0.5 .

For coin see ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~weight~~ ^{weight} ~~of~~ ^{of} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~coin~~ ^{coin}

U. S. Coin 10 Cents

Gold 10 Cents 100 Cents 1000 Cents 10000 Cents 100000 Cents

Washington, D.C.
Jan 9, 1860.

Dear Sir,

Will you please furnish
me with the exact weight of each piece
of money now coined in the United States,
the allowance of weight above and below,
the diameter, & thickness? Also the relative
value of gold & silver.

I am desirous of getting this information
to insert it in our Almanac & Compendium.

I am anxious to get the currency of
the principal European nations, and
their relative value in our coin. If you
cannot give me this information you
can possibly inform me where I can

Ann To

Rev Mr

J. T. S. Laidley

U. S. Army

Washington City

Legal weight

& U. S. Coins

Jan 13. 1860

United States Assay Office
New York Jan. 11, 1860.

Sir,

A variety of circumstances has occasioned quite a serious stringency in the money market of this city at this time, and an unusual demand for specie has been created. Parties holding fine gold bars are re-depositing them for coins, & a considerable lot of these bars will be sent to the Mint by our Treasurer to-day. I think it desirable that we should do everything in our power to relieve the existing pressure, and my object in addressing you now is to suggest that by using all possible expedition in making returns of coin you will have the thanks of our business community.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

Wm. J. P. Snowden, }
Director of the Mint. }

S. J. Putterlick
Supt

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Supt U. S. Assay Office
New York

Desires prompt
return of Corn for
Bars. — Will
make return as
rapidly as possible

Jan 12, 1860

Jan. 12 66.

I have ~~never~~ ^{very} much
effort to make in the County of ^{opening}
to us to make rapid advances of work
for the culture you send for.

I concur with you that we should
do all in our power to assist in
relieving the existing pauperism for
Cov. and hope that our mutual
efforts in this respect may be
satisfactory.

We could make a volume of 500
pages, the value of the ant. lib.,
to day, on Saturday, but I presume,
in accordance with the usual custom
the Wharf Company may prefer to
take it on Monday.

I would suggest that some ^{conveyance}
may be found ^{handy} ^{which}
may be sent on Saturday ^{when}
when it is ready. If it could be taken
into your vault when received it
would relieve the County for the day or two
it occupies. I am very truly
Yours, Robt. C. Anderson
Sam. J. Patterson Esq. Chairman of the Anti-
Slavery Society, New York.

Cincinnati

Jan: 10th /60

Mr J. R. Snowden

Dear Sir

Enclosed you will find thirty
cents. Will you be so kind
as to send me to dimes of
1866 and to half dimes of the
same date and oblige

Yours Resp^t

R. M. Brasher

P.S. Enclose in this Envelope

R. M. B.

Sam L
R M Parker

Cincinnati
Ohio

Is it enclosed
for Miss May
Anna / Joseph
Sent

Jan 21, 1860. -

Jan 21. 60

Dear Sir,

In compliance with your
request I enclose two dimes and three
quarters of half dimes of new issue for thirty
cents postage, enclosed in your letter
of the 10th inst.

Very Respectfully,
James A. [unclear]
Director of the Mint

Mr R. M. Brasher,
Cincinnati,
Ohio,

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 10 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice herewith enclosed, I have this day forwarded one bar fine gold bars, of the net value of \$19,780.85 for which please remit double eagles.

I shall feel obliged to you if you can make it convenient, to forward me, a specimen of the ^{new contemplated} half dollar coinage of the present year, if executed in copper or other metal.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. C. Allen

Treasurer

J. W. Walton Esq

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

New York

Jan 10/60

My dear Sir

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 10th inst.

Citizens Bank

Findlay Ohio Aug. 9th 1860

Treasurer of N.B. Mint

Dear Sir

Will you please
inform us by return mail whether or not
you will submit us silver coin for our draft
on Metropolitan Bank New York City, and if
so upon what conditions. we also may want
occasionally some of the new East Coin.
we have an express office in our town so that
it can be sent here direct by express.
Heretofore we have been supplying our demand
from Messrs. Green & Co of your place, but we now
think of trying the fountain head. and see how
it will work.

What do you allow for Old Spanish Coin
per 100 lbs

Respectfully Yours
Adams Carlin & Co

July 9th 1860.

Adam Carline & Co
Trindley St.

Offering to Exchange
Gold for Silver Coins,

Philadelphia January 7th 1860
 Mint of the United States
 Bought of John M^c Dowell Jun^r & Co
 144 South Fourth Street

4 th Cases	Cent Alloy	2055
5 th S "	Ditto	2053
6 th S "	Ditto	2097
" 7 th	Ditto	1815
		<u>8020th</u>

Containing 962.40th Nickel @ 1.50 1443 60

7057.60th Copper @ 23¹/₂c 1658 54

10 percent for making alloy as per agmt 3102 14

Less

3412 35

By 6 Cases Copper

1362 - 1049 - 1944

1627 - 1495 - 1279

8554th @ 23¹/₂c

2010 19

1402 16

By 2730 gals Cent Lignum 13¹/₂c 368 55

119 Shads Sweep (Nick) @ 1 119 00

570 old Crucibles @ 5c 2850

516 05

Less 338th Cent alloy excess

contg 40.56th Nickel @ 1.50 60.84

297.44 Copper @ 23¹/₂c 69.90

10 per cent for making alloy 130.74

13.07 143 81

372 24

Correct

Jas C Booth

m. & R.

\$ 102 992

Received Payment

John M^c Dowell Jun^r & Co

8620.	8554
378	1950
8353	19504
1950	
19398	

Sh. in Cent alloy & Sweep, at .25^c
 for funds of mint

25) 487.55 (1950.20

Cash Metal
1860

John Brady 105 E Baltimore St

Baltimore Md Jan 6 1860

Mr Snowden

Dear Sir I sent you the
Book about one week ago by Express
but have not rec^d any answer from
you I hope that you have received
it please let me know and oblige
Yours very respect

John Brady

Jas Ross, Snowden Esq

From To

John T Brady

Debt:

Md.

Payment for Aldridge
on Coinage
Check for Two dollars
enclosed

Jan 10, 1860

U. S. Mint Dr
To Wm T May

1860 Jan 10 Aldridge on Coinage \$200
Received Payment

Dear Sir,

Herewith enclose check on payment
for the 13th you sent me - Please sign the above
receipt and return it to me.

Very Respectfully,
James A. B. [unclear]
[unclear]

Wm T May
Jan 10, 1860

12, Store Street, Bedford Square,

London, W.C. 1^e, Jan 1860.

Dear Sir

In the early part of Nov, I
enclosed to you Account of Assay Bal.
and weights which were forwarded from
Liverpool by Mail Steamer a few days
before. According to your usual punctuality
I expected to have heard of their arrival
some time ago. More than sufficient time
having elapsed I think it requisite to
state that no letters from you have
come to hand since that time

Yours Obediently
Ludwig Portling

J. Rags. Snowden. Esq

Thos L. Cocking
London

Enquiry whether
balance has

been paid

Jan 24, 1860.

United States Assay Office
New York Jan. 5, 1860.

Sir,

On the 31st ult., the Treasurer of this Office transferred to the Treasury of the United States, to the credit of the appropriation for the incidental & contingent expenses of the Assay Office, the sum of \$2,276.61; - being the deductions from deposits in the 3^d quarter of 1859; - taking therefrom the U.S. Asst. Treasurer, triplicate receipts, as directed in your letter of the 2^d Nov. last. One of these receipts I now send enclosed; and, in making my requisitions hereafter upon the appropriations for the support of this Office, I shall address them to you, in compliance with the instructions of the Department.

Mr. Cisco informs me that, as he is required by existing instructions to transmit a receipt to the Department, it would be necessary for him to take them in quaduplicate if, as stated in your letter, two are to be sent to you.

Very respectfully,
Sam. F. Butterworth
Supt
Hon. J. R. Newton, }
Director of the Mint. }

J. M. D.

Supr U. S. Assay Office
New York

Transfer of deductions
B. D. 1839 to U. S. Treasury

Jan 6, 1860

Mint of the United States.
Philad^a. Jan 6. 1860.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 5th inst enclosing certificate of
the Asst. Treasurer of the U. S. in your city, for the payment
by the Treasury of your institution, of the sum of \$2,276.61,
to the credit of the Treasury of the U. S. being the deduction
from deposits for the 3^d Quarter 1859. The amount has
been added to the credit of your appropriation for
incidentals & contingent expenses.

In view of the fact stated in the last
paragraph of your letter, it will not be necessary
for you to send me more than one of the triplicate
receipts taken for transfers of this character.
for you
recd

Very Respectfully,

Samuel R. Brown, Jr.
Director of the Mint

Saml H. Putnam Esq,
Supt U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Department of State,
Washington, 5 Jan^y 1860.

James Ross Snowden, Esq
Director of the Mint.
Philadelphia.

Sir;

By direction of the Secretary, I enclose
the designs for a medal, which were received with
your letter of the 13 August, 1858.

I am, Sir,

Your ob^d. Servant
Edw^d. A. Stubbz. Sec.



Rev.



ob.

To
From
State Department
U States
Washington City

Returning designs
for medal sent
to Dept in 1858

Jan 7. 1860

JANUARY 5TH 1860

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Jan 5, 1860

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 3^d. inst. enclosing draft for \$29.47,
on account of purchase of 50 Btls of bal^a. for
Mint sweeps on store in your City.

I have written to Mr E A Parker to-
day instructing him to have the sweeps weighed,
coopered and delivered to you.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Thompson,
Director of the Mint.

Dr Jos M. Tammam,
No. 27 Cooper Institute,
New York.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 5th 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and
Memorandum of Seven Boxes gold Bullion
of the net value of \$ 475,845.30

Invoices No 70 and 72 calculated by
Mr Dunning, when received by him, will
be sent to you corrected; probably on Wed-
nesday next.

Very Respectfully

J H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm J. Cress

Treasurer

United States Office, Treasurer's Department

New York

1860

JANUARY 5TH 1860

Mint of the United States.
Phila: Jan 5, 1860

Dear Sir,

I have to request that you will have the
Fifty Bbls of Cal. Branch Mint snops on storage in
your city weighed, coopered and delivered to Dr Geo.
W. Farnum.

You will please present a statement
of the expenses paid by you on account of these snops,
accompanied with the bills duly receipted and an acca
for your services in storing, sampling &c. the present and
preceding lot.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Henshaw.
Director of the Mint.

E. A. Parker Esq,
No. 16 Trinity Buildings,
New York,

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 0700 \\
 540 \\
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 010
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3777 \\
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 2277
 \end{array}$$

To

E A Parker Esq
New York

Order for delivery of 80
Bk, Snaps Request
Statement of up

Jan 5. 1860.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 5 1860

Sir

I have this day forwarded by the Adams Express Company, two boxes of fine gold bars, receipt and invoice enclosed, of the net value of \$153,113.69 for which I will thank you to remit double eagles at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J. H. Watson Esq

Dir. U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Pres. assay Off

N. York

Jan 5/60

May 5/60

John D. Davis

with duvies for \$153.663.49

ORIGINAL.

No. 2

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW Y.K.,

Two boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$153,113.19)

One hundred fifty three thousand
six hundred & fifty three $\frac{69}{100}$ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure against all risks, and~~ deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Jan 5 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

J. A. Brown

Post Office, Boston, Mass.

Boston, Jan. 5th 1860

J. Cass Snowden, Esq.
Director U.S. Mint

About a year
ago you very kindly forwarded to my
address a set of the coins of 1859.

I beg to inquire whether a set of
the issue of the present year would
be furnished if applied for. It is not
the desire to obtain them for sale, that prompts
me to trouble you for your time.

Desiring to show my gratitude for
a past favor please accept the enclosed
"Washington" for the Mr. Vernon Cabinet
ack with thanks sent
1791 for cabinet of the
Mint & enclose
two Circulars Jan 9. 1860

Very truly yours
Henry S. Adams

From To

Henry S. Adams

Post Office

Durham

Mass

Cent 1791 for labor sent

Master copy 1860

Circulars enclosed

James Montgomery Bird.

George

Dr

Dr.

Dr.

A R Linderman

A R Linderman

A R Linder

To

Gen John J. bischo
ass't Gen S. U. S.
New York

Explanation in relation
to delay in conveyance
of South Eagles

Jan 5. 1860.

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office
January 5th 1860.

James Ross Snowden Esq:
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Enclosed herewith please find copy of a letter from the Secretary of the Treasury, to whom your letter of the 24th ulto. addressed to this office, was referred, respecting the claim of Messrs Taggart, Carlin & Ellis for expenses and services rendered in arresting the parties who robbed the Mint Cabinet of Coins, in the summer of 1858. The Treasurer of the Mint will receive credit for the items in the next Ordinary Expense Ac.

Very Respectfully

Your assent,

W. M. W.
Comptroller.

(Copy.)

Treasury Department,
Jan'y 3^d 1860.

Sir:-

Your letter of the 31st ulto with vouchers of certain payments made by the Treasurer of the Mint by order of the Director has been considered.

Such expenses ought no doubt to be paid out of the appropriation of Expenses of the Courts, if lawfully incurred, as stated in my letter to the Hon Mr Florence, as well as that of Secretary of the Interior. But it seems, the necessary steps were not taken for payment out of that appropriation.

There being no question but these detectives were employed by the Director of the Mint in good faith, under the belief that they might be lawfully paid out of the Ordinary appropriation for contingent expenses of the Mint, under the circumstances, there being no other fund out of which they can be paid, I am induced to sanction this payment. You are therefore authorised to allow the charges in the account of the Treasurer of the Mint for this object. The papers are herewith returned.

Very respectfully

Yr obt serv't

Wm Medill Esq^r
First Comptroller

(Signed) Howell Cobb
Secretary of the Treasury.

From

Hon^{ble} Medill

Comptroller

Treasury

Jan 7, 1860

Allowance of suspended

item in Treasurers

acc for amt paid

Police Officers for

services in arresting

the three persons who

wound the Min^{tr}

Cabinet

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 3. 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice
herewith enclosed, I have this day forward-
ed by the Adams Express Co, One box
Fine Gold Bars, of the net value of
\$476,172.31 for which I will thank
you to remit double eagles

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Biscoe

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Greer. Assay Off

N. York

Jan. 3/60

\$76

J. L. & Co. Esq.

Jan. 3/60

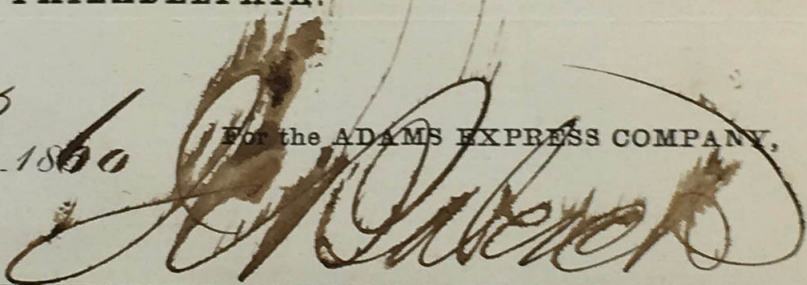
No. 1

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One boxes containing
Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 71,172.31)Seventy Six Thousand
Six Hundred & Seventy two $\frac{31}{100}$ Dollars,which we agree to ~~insure against all risks, and~~ deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

Jan 3 1860For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,


New York, 3d Jan. 1860.

No. 27 Cooper Institute.

Col. James Ross Snowden,
Director U.S. Mint, Philad.^a

Dear Sir,

Enclosed, is
a cheque for Twenty nine Hundred
& twenty four dollars, (\$2924.) which with
what I have already advanced, will,
agreeably to your letter, enable you to
give me an order for the Fifty bbls.
of Sweep now on store in this city.
In your order, please direct that
they be weighed & coopered for Shipment.

I remain, Respectfully,
Yours Theo. T. L.

Jos. H. Johnson.

From R. D. W. Lamm
New York

Draft for \$2924 enclosed
Mr. Parker ordered to
release Supt

Jan 3, 1860.

Jan. 13, 60

Dear Sir,

In compliance with the request
contained in your letter of yesterday I
send you the Washington medals which
you so kindly loaned me, and an
electrotype copy as an honorarium
for your permission to take a copy for
my Washington Collection. The electro-
types are not as good as I could wish & I
regret that the one I send you is a
little imperfect although ^{tolerably} the
casting is ^{well} done.

I would have sent these medals long
ago but I misunderstood you, I under-
stood you were to send, or call, for them.
I greatly regret the delay.

I send you acceptance of small Washington
medals which I struck when I commenced the Wash-
ington Collection in May 1859. I have upwards of
125 different Medallion Memorials of

Mr Peter Patino,

I am, with great respects,

Yours off. servant,

~~James~~ Robt Underman,

Director of the Mint,

W. R. Jackson Esq,
Baltimore,
Md.

R.B. Snowden Esq

Balto. 12 Jan'y 1860.

W.S. Went Ph.D.

Dear Sir

Some months ago I sent you a "Washington Medal"
to take cheriforms and electrotype for yourself. I supposed together with the medal
was to be returned to me - I have never yet received either my medal or
the electrotype

Very respectfully

W.R. Jackson

From Log
H R Jackson
Balt?

Including medals
(returned)

Jan 13, 1860.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

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SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such comment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

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Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / JANUARY

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / JANUARY

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/JANUARY (CONT.)

Mauch Chunk Jan 30. 1860

Dear Sir

Your favor of the 27th enclosing
notice of the Secy of the Treasury of my appoint-
ment as one of the Commissioners for the
next Annual Assay at the Mint, - has duly
received. for the compliment of which
please accept my most grateful thanks

I shall be with you at the ~~time~~ appointed
time unless prevented by some circumstance
not now known to me
Hon James Ross Snowden } Very truly yours
Director of the Mint }

A. S. Packer

P.S. I have acknowledged the Secy's letter
direct informing him of my acceptance
A. S. P.

From

Hon Asa Packer
March 6th
Pa

ack. Notification
of appointment
as Assay Commissioner
in this acceptance
thereof

Jan 31, 1860

19 Tremont St,
Boston, Jan. 30, 1860.

J. Ross Snowden, Esq.
Director U. S. Mint
Sir -

In your favor received
a few days ago you are pleased to say -
"The master coins are not yet prepared,
but will be in ^{all} of this month, when you
can be supplied with sets for yourself
& friends."

I accordingly enclose my
check (as I did last year) for one
set gold coins - - - - - 43. -
five sets Silver do. including the cent 15. -
Fifty Eight dollars \$ 58. -

Hoping to receive them in the finest
condition & at the earliest ^{convenient} day.

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours obt. Servt &c.

J. K. Wiggins

as I have bought many coins from the mint,
I should esteem it a great favor to receive a memorial
of the Washington cabinet collection.

From To

J. R. Higgen E
Boston
N.Y.

Enclosed check
for \$58 for

1 set gold + 5
set Silver Master
coins

Feb 1, 1860

Feb 1. 8.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 30th ult. enclosing check
for Fifty Eight dollars has been received.

The master coins are not yet prepared.
They will, ^{however,} be struck in the course of a few weeks,
when the ~~master~~ coins will be forwarded.

Obliged & truly,
Samuel R. Chomley
Director of the Mint.

J. N. Higgin Esq.
19 Tremont Street,
Boston,

Treasury Department
Jan 21. 1860.

Sir

The enclosed papers received from W. G. Cook in relation to the over issue by the Mints of One Dollar Gold pieces and Cent coins, are submitted for your consideration and I will thank you to furnish the Department with your views on the subject.

I am very Resp^l.
Wm. L. Cobb
Sec. of the Treasury.

J. R. Snowden
Director of the Mints
Philadelphia

Wm L

Secretary of the Treasury

Feb 2, 1860

On the subject of the
over-supply of

four dollars and
ten cents.

Memorial of Traders
to N.Y. on the subject
referred to me for my
views & -

Secretary of the Treasury

We, the undersigned, Merchants and
Citizens of the City of New York respectfully beg
to draw your attention to the evil arising from
the enormous amount of Cents now in circulation
in our City. The quality has been steadily increas-
ing for a long time past; until, at present, it is
with difficulty that sales can be effected at less
than three per cent discount, - and frequently four
and five per cent have been submitted to, in order
to get rid of this superabundant coin.

A few moments reflection will convince any
intelligent mind that the greater part of this serious
loss must fall upon the poorer classes. Manufacturers
in the practice of buying Cents at a large discount
for the purpose of paying for labor. The laboring man
in turn, is obliged to use them to procure the necessities
of life from the merchant; who, to protect himself against
loss charges him a higher price for his merchandise;
unless, as is not infrequently the case, the merchant
allows his sympathies to conflict with his pecuniary
interest, and sustains the loss himself.

In view of these circumstances we would most
respectfully suggest that some action be taken, whereby
this evil may be corrected; that the coinage of the
"One Cent" may be discontinued for a period; that a
place be established at which they can be redeemed
at a small discount, - or any other plan adopted, which
may be deemed practicable both to relieve our Community
of its present embarrassments, and prevent such an
excess of the coin in future.

February 2. 0.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 31st ult. enclosing a memorial from a number of Merchants and Traders of New York on the subject of the Coinage of Cents; and an article from the Journal of Commerce respecting the spurs of that Coin, and of the gold dollars. As I have recently noticed these subjects in a communication to the editors of the newspapers just named I deem it expedient to send you a copy of it; and of the paragraph in my last annual report which is referred to in my communication; to which I add the remarks made in the same report respecting the operation of the act of Feb. 21, 1853, entitled "an act relating to foreign Coins, and to the Coinage of Cents at the Mint of the United States". These papers will furnish the Department with my views on these subjects. I beg also to refer ~~you~~ to my letter of the 12th of June 1853. The policy therein indicated has been

ably adhered to; and hence the amount
of cents in circulation have been issued
to meet the demand for them, by the
holders of Spanish and Mexican fractions of
a dollar, and of the Copper cents. In the
letter just referred to I estimated that prices
of Spanish & Mexican coins to the value
by tale of about \$500,000 could be
procured for exchange. We have
already somewhat exceeded this estimate,
having received \$546,305 in these
coins; what remains in circulation
must I think be inconsiderable; it
might therefore be advisable to amend the
act of March 3, 1859, so as to reduce the
time to which that provision of the act
of Feb, 21, 1857 was extended which
authorizes the holders of these Spanish
& Mexican coins to demand cents for
them at their nominal value. As the
law now stands we will be required to
~~extend~~ continue these exchanges until
the 21st of February 1861; and I would

suggest that the law in question be
limited to the 30th of June next, and
then, after that period the exchange,
would be confined to the Copper Cent.

The new cent, I may say in conclusion,
is many ^{a more convenient coin than} ~~inferior~~ to the large
Copper Cent; but like all coinage intended
for change, and for small transactions,
it must be inferior to gold when offered
in large quantities. It is the tendency of
some branches of business to accumulate
the inferior coins, and no legislation can
prevent this. It was so with the Copper
Cent, and it will be so with the
Nickel Cent.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

Hon. Samuel Cobb, James R. Boardman,
Secretary of the Treasury Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Jan 30. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$44,679.51
in Gold Coins in payment of invoice No. 6.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. E. Deane
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

P.S. Some gold bars will probably be transmitted
tomorrow.

Deer. Assay Off

N. York

Jan 30/60

New York, Jan'y 28, 1866.
R. Snowden Esq.

Mr Sir, Having
been informed that the new
Cent could be purchased at
the Mint at a discount, I
wish you would oblige me
by saying what that discount
is, if I take at the rate of
One thousand dollars for
such, also what you pay for
old cents, I have a good
opportunity to circulate cents
and am obliged to take them
of my customers but the
greater part of what I receive
are old cents, which is such
an inconvenient currency
that I feel anxious to see the
new cent take its place
Most respectfully yours
J. F. Betz

Wm J. Betz &
New York

As to purchasing

cents at the Mint
Circular forwarded

Jan 30. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 28 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$25,000. in gold
coins in ac of invoice N^o 6.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J Cisco
Treasurer

Dear Assay Off

N. York

Jan 28 / 60

Duplicate

Philadelphia, January 28th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^cDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

24	8	Cases Cent Alloy	2062 ¹⁶
25	8	" Ditto	2048 ¹⁶
26	9	" Ditto	2264 ¹⁶
27	9	" Ditto	2273 ¹⁶
			8644 ¹⁶

Containing 1037.64^{lbs} Nickel @ \$1.50 1556 46

" 7609.36^{lbs} Copper @ 23¹⁶ 1788 20

10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement 3344 66
3344 66 3679 12

Or
Pay 5 Cases Copper

1586-1238-1135-1551-2340^{lbs} = 7850^{lbs} @ 23¹⁶ 1844 75

\$ 1834 37

Given
John H Taylor
as M^r

Received Payment
24
J. M. C. Dowell Jr & Co

24

CHARTERED BY ACT OF PARLIAMENT 1855

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT

JOHN McDOWELL, JR. & CO.

London

BLUE ALUMINUM

COBALT

NICKEL

OXIDE OF COBALT

North Tapan Renaissance, N.Y.

Jan. 28th 1860

Director of the Mint }
Philadelphia Pa. }

Dear Sir,

If you will permit I should be pleased to suggest an improvement in our new cents. required in actual business; It is something to distinguish it more readily from the dime; It is true there is no difficulty with daylight and good eyes in distinguishing them now, but those are two circumstances all cannot command at all times.

I would propose a coin of the diameter of the present cent, and a rim the $\frac{1}{16}$ of an inch broad like the present cent, but the centre of the piece not thicker than a three

cent piece; such a change would
render it lighter and more easily
distinguished from other coin, two important
considerations with those that handle them.

Yours Truly,

James H. Ball.

Mr Do
Lambert Ball
Post Master
North Wapau
N.Y.

Suggesting an
improvement in
cut corn

Feb 1. 1860

Feb. 17. 0.

Sir,

In answer to your letter of the 28th Inst. I have to state that the new cent may readily be distinguished, when there is no light, or by touch without eyesight, by feeling the edge of the coin. All the other coins have a milled edge on the periphery of the piece. This distinction I caused to be made in order to meet the case you mention. It does have "no difficulty in daylight and with good eyes" I hope you will hereafter have none in the dark, as you are now but in possession of an easy and infallible test.

I am very respectfully

Yours obediently,

James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint,

James H. Ball Esq.

Pork Master,

North & Kapaw. Pennsylvania Co.
New York.

No. 232 Walnut Street.
Phila. Jan'y 27. 1860.

My dear Sir,

I send you an editorial, cut from the Journal of Commerce of the 25th instant, supposing that you may not have met with it elsewhere, and, as this paper is thought to have considerable influence at Washington, I deemed it of sufficient importance to apprise you of its appearance. My own conclusion is, that this movement is one of the many efforts put forth by our disinterested neighbors, to create a feeling in favor of having this whole matter put under their own control.

I may be mistaken in this opinion — at all events, it will do no harm to send it to you, as an evidence of my interest in whatever concerns your administration.

Yours very truly

William G. Coffin

To.

J. Ross Snowden Esq.

with an article for the
Journal of Commerce,
& a note to Mr. Coffin.
J. R. S.

From
A. S. Coffin
to J. Ross Snowden
Jan. 26 1860

"Article from Journal
of Commerce"

Report
of
~~Chief~~
Treasurer
for
June 1860.

Mint of the United States,

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Philadelphia,

July 2 1869.

Sir,

In pursuance of the 21st rule of the "General regulations of the Mint," I take pleasure in reporting that the persons employed in my department, have been attentive to their duties, and conducted themselves with sobriety and fidelity.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obt Servt
J A Walton
Treas

L Ross Snowden Esq
Director of the Mint.

Report
of
~~Chapman~~
Treasurer
for
June 1868.

Mint of the United States,

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Philadelphia, April 2^d 1869.

Sir

In pursuance of the 21st rule for
the transaction of business at the Mint
I have the pleasure to inform you,
that the persons employed in my
Department, have been attentive
to business, and conducted them-
selves with skill, sobriety and
fidelity for the past month,

Very Respectfully
Yours Oth Lech

J A Walton
Treasurer

J Rob Snowden Esq
Director US Mint.

1864.
March
Report
Treasury
U S Mint

Monthly Reports
of
Conduct of Employees
Treasury Dept.
U. S. Mint

1860

Mint of the United States,

TREASURER'S OFFICE.

Philadelphia,

Feb. 29th 1869.

Dear Sir,

I take pleasure in reporting, that the persons employed in my department, have been attentive to their several duties and have conducted themselves with sobriety and fidelity.

I am Very Respectfully
Yours &c
J. Walton
Treas.

Hon James R. Snowden
Director U.S. Mint,

1868
February Monthly
Report

James A Walling
Treasurer

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 21. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$100,000. in
gold Coins on Ac of invoice No. 6.

Very Respectfully

Wm J. C. Geo

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treas. U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Jan 26 / 60

To

Am Asa Packer

Merchants Hotel
Phila.

Enclosing his appointment
as assay Commissioner

Jan 27, 1860.

Jan. 27th 0.

My Dear Sir,

From the Communication
which I enclose you will learn that
the President has been pleased to ap-
point you as one of the Commissioners
for the next annual assay of the
Mint. I earnestly hope it may not
be inconvenient to be with us at
that season.

I am very truly

Yours friend & ob. servt.
James R. Thompson.

Rev. Mr. Foster—

March 1840.

Per.

P.S. Please acknowledge the
letter of the Sec. of the Treasury by addressing him
and also I wish to learn from you
whether you will be with us at the assay. J. R. T.

To
Mr. Henry J. Anderson
New York

Enclosing his appointment
as one of the Assay Com-
missioners

Jan 27, 1860. —

Unit of the State.
Phila. Jan. 7. 1860.

Dear Sir,

By the enclosed letter you
will perceive that the President
has designated you as one of
the Commissioners for the next
annual report to the Senate.
- 13th Sept? - I have it with
me for your convenience to be with
me on that occasion. I enclose
a small pamphlet which has
been prepared for the use of the
Commissioners.

I am very respectfully
Yours at P. Lincoln,
James R. Anderson,
Director of the Unit.

Gen. Henry L. Anderson A.S.
New York.

United States Assay Office
New York Jan 27th 1860

for

The following statement was forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury on the 6th inst. respecting the deposits at this Office of Gold Bullion from the "Pikes Peak region," I forward you a copy of the same, with the additional deposits up to the present time, as requested by your letter of the 25th inst.

"The first deposit of Kansas gold was received on the 21st December 1858. From that date to Dec 31st 1859 the whole amount received from this source has been as follows:

Total weight, before melting,	oz 10.059.97
" " After melting	9.557.67
Losses of dirt &c. in melting (equal to 7 percent) ..	702.30
Total value of above deposits	\$ 162,141.39
Average value per ounce, before melting	\$ 16.11
" " " " After melting	17.32
Average fineness, 838 thousandths.	

From the 1st of the present month to the

From

Supt U. S. Assay Off.
New York

Reports of Pike
Pearl sold

Jan 30. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 2nd. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$90 000.
in Gold Coins in ac of invoice No 6.

Very Respectfully

Wm J. E. Coe
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Heav. assay of

N. York

Jan 27/60

Santh & Sons Ind^l Jan^y 26th 1860

Mr J R Inaudon
Director U S Mint

Philad^a
Dear Sir

Enclosed find statements of
proceeds of gold dust sent
by our Company at two
different times - of the same
quality. You will perceive
there is quite a difference
in the yield ^{pr oz} for the
first lot of 2528.45⁰⁰ we only
receive 17.50 ^{pr oz} after melting
and the smaller quantity
of 3832⁰⁰ yields over \$22.00
^{pr oz}. Now ^{we} wish to know
the reason for this difference
for the dust was of the
same lot and equally as

as pure in the first
lat. as in the last, now
we expect this to be made
right - for the difference
is something of ~~an~~ an
item to us, and we
hope you will have
the kindness to see to it
that we may have what
justly belongs to us - for
it was obtained by hard
knocks - I understood you
wrote on the (L) square & as
I use the tools occasionally
myself I expect what is
right at your hand -

Please let us hear from
as soon as convenient - our
company start west soon -

Gauss & Co
Zigler Spain & Co
for Spain

From To
Messrs Lyle & Spang Co
~~New York~~
South Bend
Indiana

As to return
for deposit

Jan 30. 1860

Jan 26. 60

Gentlemen,

I have received your letter of the 26th inst with the most memorandums enclosed therein. You are in error in stating that the same deposit made on the 7th inst yielded \$22 per ounce. When correctly calculated the yield per ounce will be found to be \$17.25.

The memorandums (with a correct calculation on their margin), are herewith returned.

Very Respectfully,
J. R. Mowday,
Director of the Mint.

Messrs J. & L. Spaulding & Co.
South Bend,
Ind.

12, Store Street, Bedford Square,

London, W.C. 2, 1st Nov 1860

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 5th inst with
enclosures amounting together to £35. 10
has come to hand safely. In return I
now enclose separate receipts for each
Acct: - With best thanks

I remain

Dear Sir

Yours Obediently
Ludwig Bertling

Hon^{ble} J. R. Snowden.

From L. Oertling Esq
London

Enclosing receipts
for Bites paid

Feb 14. 1860

To
John A. Hickory E
Albany
N.Y.

Recd Receipt #3
for Master Corn

Jan 28, 1860

Jan 25, .

Dear Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of the 21st inst enclosing Three dollars
(in Bank notes) to pay for a set of the Master silver
and cent coins of the year for Mr Potter of your city.
The coins will be forwarded as directed as soon as
they are ready, which will be in a few days.

Respectfully Yours,
Samuel D. Anderson
Director of the Mint.

J. H. Nickerson Esq.
Albany,
New York.

Chief Coiners Department
United States Mint

To

Jan. 25th 1860

Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden

Director

On 31st December 1859 all the gold
Silver and Cent Coin and Bullion in my possession was
delivered to the Treasurer so that my accounts might be
settled up to that time

The Gold Ingots rec^d during the year '59 oz 141.578.100

Gold Coin & Bullion deliv^d to the Treas^r in '59 141569.214

Difference being wastage oz 8.886

The ratio in thousandths of oz 8.886 upon oz 141.578.100 is #0.0627

The Silver Ingots rec^d during the year '59 oz 1,551,120.50

Add Coin returned by Treas^r after settlement

of my accounts for the year 1858 oz 14.552.40

Together oz 1.565.672.90

Silver Coin and Bullion deliv^d to Treas^r in '59 1.565.532.58

Difference being wastage oz 140.32

The ratio in thousandths of oz 140.32 upon oz 1,551,120.50 is #0.0904.

I present the annexed Statement to facilitate a com-
parison of the above ratio with the wastage in this Department
since the year 1850 inclusive.

Respectfully

Geo T Chiles

Chief Coiner

<u>Year.</u>	<u>Gold Rec^d</u> <u>3</u>	<u>Silver Rec^d</u> <u>3</u>	<u>Wastage</u> <u>in</u> <u>Gold.</u> <u>3</u>	<u>Wastage</u> <u>in</u> <u>Silver.</u> <u>3</u>	<u>Ratio</u> <u>Gold.</u>	<u>Thousands</u> <u>Silver</u>
1850	2,850,535.320	635,907.40	1183.728	652.28	0.4153	1.0257
1851	5,073,754.260	573,215.56	1195.518	241.06	0.2356	0.4205
1852	4,899,701.160	1,204,150.86	389.506	294.51	0.0795	0.2445
1853	3,540,551.840	10,913,400.62	589.134	6607.23	0.1664	0.6054
1854	1,840,424.850	6,973,359.90	248.993	5082.03	0.1353	0.7288
1855	1,248,131.300	2,328,650.80	360.431	1888.30	0.2888	0.8109
1856	1,086,299.135	4,426,766.40	272,058	3439.28	0.2504	0.7769
1857	1,062,341.000	6,399,798.00	145.656	2973.21	0.1371	0.4645
1850 to 1857	21,601,738.865	33,455,249.54	4385.024	21177.90	0.2030	0.6330
1858	432,295.500	6,855,323.10	4.560	1613.41	0.0105	0.2353
1859	141,578.100	1,551,120.50	8.886	140.32	0.0627	0.0904

Annual Settlement

Chief Comr

U. S. Mint

Dec 31, 1859

Treasury Department
Jan. 25. 1860

Sir

I have to advise you that the President has appointed Dr. R. W. Gibbs of Columbia, So. Ca., Dr J. C. Hall of Washington City, Hon. James M. Porter, of Pa., Dr F. A. P. Barnard, of Mississippi, Dr Jina Pitcher of Michigan, Professor Thomas C. Porter of Penna, Professor Robert Bridge, of Pa., Dr Henry L. Anderson, of New York, and Hon. Asa Packer, of Pa, as Commissioners for the purpose of testing the correctness of the assays of the Coinage of the Mint and Branches, in compliance with the Act of January 18. 1837, to meet at the Mint on Monday the 13th proximo.

I am respectfully
Yours obt. Servt

James Ross Snowden &
Directors of the
Mint

Wm M. Leob
Secretary of the
Treasury

From Hon Howell Cobb,
Secretary Treasury
Washington City

States that the President
has appointed the following
gentlemen Commissioners to
have the next annual
essay at the mint viz

Dr R. W. Gibbs Columbia S. C.
Dr J. C. Hall Washington City
+ Hon James M. Porter Pa
+ Dr F. A. Barnard Miss.
+ Dr Zina Pitcher Mich
+ Prof Thomas C. Porter Pa
+ Prof Robert Bridges Pa
Dr Prof Henry J. Anderson N. Y.
+ Hon Asa Packer Pa

Jan 27, 1860

January 25, 10

Sir,

At the request of your Master & Refiner
(communicated through Prof. Bond), I shipped to your
office yesterday, five large Porcelain Refining Pots,
and enclosed Bill of Lading and receipt
in duplicate therefor. Please permit the
bill in any mode most convenient to you.

Very Respectfully,
James R. Bond,
Director of the Mint

Saml H. Putnam Esq,
Supt. U. S. Assay Office,
New York.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, 185

Of
Saml. J. Butternuth
Supt U. S. Assay Off
N.Y.

Enclosed find
Lading Proclam
Bols (5)

Jan 25, 1860.

Prof J. P. Butterworth
Supr U. S. Assay office
New York

Request Statement
Deposits Kansas
furn at that
office

Jan 25, 1860,

Jan. 25. 60

Sir,

I have to request you
to send me a statement of the
amount of gold secured at
your office from Kansas,
on Pike's Peak, and the
regions thereabouts; up
to this date; on the date
when you make the statement,
your early attention will

Obliged very respectfully

J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint

Sam. J. Patterson Esq
Sup. of Mts. & Min.
New York.

Treasury department
First Auditor Office
January 25th 1860

Jas D. Walton Esq.
Treasurer US Mint
Philadelphia

Sir:

I have this day received
your Ordinary Expense Ac 4th Quarter 1859.
Very Respectfully

W. Smith
Auditor

First Auditor

Washington

Jan 25/60

Rochester Jan 24 1810

Dea

Will you confer the favor of informing me —
whether there were any "cents" or coin of any —
denomination. coined in the year 1810?
Reply will much oblige

Yours Respy

J. W. Palmer
Rochester

To the Supt of U S Mint
Phila. Pa

Monroe Co.
N.Y.

Ann L

L.H. Baedum

Rochester

New York

Comis Stm Ken

1875

Jan 27, 1860

Jan 27. 60

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 24th inst.

The only coins struck at the Mint in the year 1815 were half eagles and quarter dollars: 635 pieces of the former and 69,232 of the latter denomination, are shown by the Mint records to have been coined in that year.

Very Resp. Mully,
Samuel R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint

J. H. Beardslee Esq,
Rochester
New York.

Lynnworth St. Jan 24th 1860

Dear Sir

I am about starting
for Pike's Peak with Dr. Crutcher
& had intended procuring apparatus
& establishing in that district an
assa office for testing the quality of
gold dust, but more particularly
I desire to coin my dust into
5¢ 10¢ 20¢ & 50¢ pieces for circulation
for convenience & of course my individ-
ual act with my name attached

The object of this is to enquire
of you whether there is any law
preventing me this night should
I chose to do so, & could I use any
alloy, I suppose however this would
be useless as my coins like the
dust would bring only its intrinsic
value & would subject every piece
cost from a different mine to a different
value which would be very inconvenient
& I would like to avoid it if I could.

You will excuse me for writing you
but you will confer a very great
favor by notifying the contents of
of this. Most Respectfully J. A. Latta
Hon J. R. Snowden

From
S. H. Latta
to Jas. Ross Snowden
Jan 24/1860

"Private conveyance"

Deputy office

Boston, Jan'y 30th 1857

Sir,

The five thousand dollars transmitted by you as per
Adm's of the 21st inst, in payment of Dupe Dr. bill, by the
Adm's Express co came to hand this morn'g, for which
please accept my thanks.

Very truly
Yrs. &c.

Geo. Thompson Mason

Col. Deputy Dir

My

J. H. Mallon, Esq

Pres. N. E. Minn
p. enclosed

}

Depotory US

Baltimore

Jan 23/60

To
Amoswell Cobb,
Sec Treasury

Enclosing a few
copies ^{in pamphlet form} of my
Annual Report

Jan 23, 1860

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia,

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Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia: Jan. 23. 1860.

Sir,

So many applications are made for information respecting the operation of the Mint that I have found it necessary to print a few hundred copies of the last annual report.

If the Department should have occasion to refer to the Mint Report, this reprint will be found convenient for that purpose. I therefore herewith send two or three copies.

I have the honor to be
With great respect,

Your faithful servant,
Samuel R. Mendenhall,
Director of the Mint.

Wm. Howell Esq.,
Sec. of the Treasury,
Washington City.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Jan 23 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$98,912.40 in Gold Coins, in payment for balance due on invoice N^o 5.

As for receipt and invoice herewith enclosed, I have transmitted in the usual manner three boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of \$259,649.50 for which please remit double eagles, at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Sco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Pres. Assay Off

N. York

Jan 23/60

No. *6*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Three boxes, containing*Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 259,679.56)**Two hundred & fifty nine thousand**Six hundred & twenty nine* $\frac{A}{100}$ Dollars,*which we agree to insure against all risks, and deliver to the* TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.New York, *Jan 23 1860*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

W. P. Dinsmore

JANUARY 21ST 1860

Jan 21. 60

Dear Sir,

I have received your
letter of the 20th inst covering
~~account of bills~~
for storage & swaps, which
is satisfactory.

Please draw on me
at sight for the amount due
you, viz: \$218.52.

Very Respectfully Yours,
S. B. Anderson
Director of the Mint.

E. A. Parker Esq
No. 16. Trinity Building,
New York C.

To Secretary Treasury

Appointment of Assay
Commissioners.

Jan 21, 1860.—

Mint of the United States.

Philad^a Jan. 21. 1860.

Sir,

As the time is approaching when the annual
Annual Report is made at the Mint I have the
hon^{or} to request you to call the attention of the
President to the propriety of his designating
the Special Commissioners which are provided
for in the 32nd Section of the Mint Law. Mint
 pamphlet page 15.

The Commissioners will meet at
the Mint on the 13th prox^o: at which time
the trials required by law to test the Coin-
age of the United States, and the accu-
racy of the weights used in the transactions of
the Mint, will be made.

In accordance with the usual
Custom I by Law desire to suggest
the following named gentlemen as suitable
persons to perform these duties. Viz: Dr.
Alexander Means, Prof. of Chemistry, Atlanta
Medical College. Prof. Thomas C. Porter,
Prof. of Chemistry, Franklin & Marshall College

Dr. Robert Bridges, Professor of Chemistry
in the Philad^a? College Pharmacy, Dr.
Henry J. Anderson, New York,
James P. Austin Esq. of Washington
city. Hon. Asa Packer of Penn^a

It is at the pleasure of the President
to designate these gentlemen, or others
in their stead; or he can, at his discre-
tion, add to the list, inasmuch as
the number is not limited by law.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,
Your faithful servant.

James Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Newell Cobb.

Sec. of the Treasury.
Washington City.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such comment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

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Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

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JAN 21-1860

Amount	Date Due	Class "A"	Class "B"	Show	Describe
Maker, indorser, and security		Overdue			

ment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "red debts," and other overdue paper subject to classification.
List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification.

Duplicate

Philadelphia, January 21st 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN MCDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

18 8 Cases Cent Alloy 2052^{lb}
19 8 " " 2048"
20 8 " " 2071"
" 3 " " 691"
6862^{lb}

containing 823.44^{lb} Nickel @ \$1.50 1235 16

" 6038.56^{lb} Copper @ 23¹/₂ 1419 06
2654 22

10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement 26542 2919 64

Dr
Pay 4 Cases Copper

#1713 - 1527 - 1689 - 1199 = 6128^{lb} @ 23¹/₂cs

1440 08

\$ 1479 56

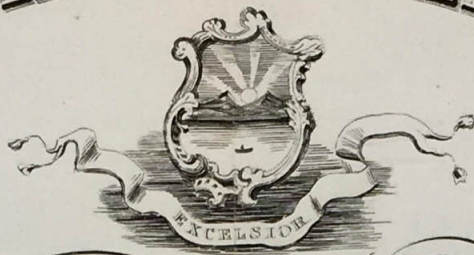
(15)
Correct
John W Taylor

as mvr

Received Payment

John McDowell Jr & Co

NEW YORK STATE LIBRARY



Gavit & Co Albany

Regents of the University of the State of New York
(ex officio)

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY

Albany

Jan. 21 1860

Honl
James Ross Snowden

I inclose \$3—

Please send me sett of rules
con'st & sent for Jesse C. Potts of

Albany

Yours

J. H. Hickox

Wm L

John H. McKenry

Albany

N.Y.

Jan 24/60

Enclosing \$3.00

Pay for pur of Com's
1860.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 21. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$100,000. in gold Coins in account of
invoice No. 5.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer of U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

J. M. J. Cisco
Treasurer

Treas. assay Off

New York

Jan. 21/60

Boston Jan. 20 1860

Dear Sir,

Not hearing from you although I have written, I am somewhat anxious to know if you have sent me the pattern half-dollar with the eagle, and if it has not miscarried. Will you oblige me by dropping me a line stating whether you have forwarded it as promised or not? If not I shall hope to get it from you — The Washington coin which I sent you, is of great scarcity and value, and I should not have been willing to part with it except at the rate of exchange which I suggested & to which you acceded.

Yrs truly

Niram I. Shurtleff.

P.S. Please direct yr reply to Boston as I shall be there for a few weeks next.

From S. S.

Straw S. Shurtluff

Boston
May

Pattern half
done as requested
and enclosed

Jan 23, 1860

January 23, 60

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 20th
inst.

Enclosed please find the promised
pattern half dollar.

Very respectfully,
Samuel Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Hiram S. Shurtliff Esq.,
Boston,
Mass.

Post Office,
Wilmington Del.
Jan 20. 1860

My dear Sir

You will doubtless remember that within two or three years I have called on you to renew the application of Col S. Sharpe the collector of this post, for the appointment of Lemisa Gardner to a situation in the mint. You will also remember that at my interviews you have done the favor to speak encouragingly on the subject should an opportunity offer. Since my last interview I have been informed that a position has been offered to a Mrs. Ellis of this city (a very deserving lady) who on account of a better situation declined the place.

If then a situation can be offered to Mrs L. Gardner, it will be a source of great gratification to herself who is very deserving, to her friends who are numerous and active members of the Democratic party, and I honestly believe that the mint will receive a good and valuable aid

Very Respectfully
Wm H. J. Aspinwall
Col W. A. Snowden
Director of Mint

J. M. L.

H. J. Allen

Postmaster

At Wilmington

Delaware

Attestment
of Mrs L. Gardner

Jan 25, 1860

Jan. 25. 0.

Dear Sir,

In answer to your recent letter I have to state that it is not my intention to increase the number of employees in any of the departments of the Mint, but on the contrary to decrease them. In the departments in which women are employed it is particularly my intention gradually to reduce the number. I am greatly surprised as what you say is referred to a Mrs. Ellis being offered a place here. There is not the slightest foundation for such a statement. I do not know that I can send of a Mrs. Ellis, much ^{less} ~~less~~ ^{and can} offer her a place here. These employments are entirely within the control of the Director of the Mint, and therefore if any one has made an offer, or promise such as I mention, it was unauthorized.

If the public service required any new
employees I would with great plea-
sure, give a proper consideration
to the application you make;
and I would be glad to oblige
you in this matter if it was in
my power to do so.

I am very respectfully
your obt. servant.

James P. Chauden,
Director of the Mint.

C. G. Stevens Esq
Doct Charles
Bilminster,
Del.

Deposy U. S

Baltimore

Jan. 20/60

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Jan 19th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$54,350. in gold coins for balance of
invoice No. 4.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Sco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Pres. Assay Off

N. York

Jan 19/60

Jan 19/60

John H. Wier Esq

Acct. Recd of \$594.350.00

in payment of Service

Ch 4.

19th
Gunter Ohio Jan 1860

United States Mint
Philadelphia Pa
Nepers

I have
Some California Gold also
Some California Rings
and one Cal - Buckle
which I want to send
the two Rings the Buckle
and the dust all is worth
about thirty Dollars or
more perhaps forty Dollars
I wish you to write and
let me know whether you
will coin them for me or
not if so I will send by
Express Truly yours
Alfred Fowler Ohio O S Viet

John To
Mr O S Viets
Fowler
Ohio

Payment of
deposits

Jan 26, 1860.

Jan 26, 60

Sir,

If you send the gold
referred to in your letter of the
19th inst to the Mint, the proceeds
will be returned to you per Express
in any denomination of gold
coin you may desire, as soon
as the value of your deposit
is ascertained by assay,
which will be in two or
three days after its receipt.

Respectfully,

Samuel R. Chapman
Director of the Mint

Mr O. D. Bates,
Lewer, Ohio,

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 18 1860

Sir

As per receipt and invoice herewith enclosed I have this day transmitted by the Adams Express Company, three boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of \$198,912.40 in payment for which I will thank you to remit double eagles, as early as practicable.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Sco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Pres. assay Off

N. York

Jan 18/60

Amice.

Stump & Co

Jan 18/60

No. 5

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Three boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$198,912.40)

One hundred & ninety eight thousand,

Nine hundred & twelve ⁴⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, Jan 18 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

Shirley

ORIGINAL.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

Jan'y 17. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$119,780.35 in
Gold Coins, in 4c of invoices N^o 3 and 4.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r, U S Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Blevins
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Jan. 17/60

To
John A Selby Esq
Act Maryland
Govt

Medals forwarded

Sent to Adams Express Office
by Tucker. -

Jan 17. 1860

John A. Selig, Esq. Actuary, Maryland Institute

To Messrs. Fendall & Co. Bankers

on Jan 7 to 27th inst. interest & fees \$129.50

Received Payment.

Director of the Mint.

Dear Sir,

I duly received your letter of the 12th inst. enclosing
check for \$129.50 in payment of above bill for 87 for silver
mailed made for your society and forwarded 15 your
address today for Adams Express.

Please sign and return the enclosed
voucher to my address.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Fendall
Director of the Mint.
Washington D.C.
Please Jan 7. 1860

John A. Selig, Esq.,
Act. Md. Inst.
Baltimore, Md.

JANUARY 17TH 1860

Senate of the United States
Committee on Finance

January 17. 1860.

Dear Sir

Your reply to Mr. Hunter's letter on the subject of cost of Coinage does not give this Committee the information desired. A proposition is before the Committee to reduce the Coinage charge to the exact cost to the Government of labor & material employed in converting refined bars into Coins of the denominations of Double Eagles, Eagles, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ Eagles, in equal proportions. We desire an estimate from you of the cost of thus converting fine bars at the Mint which shall produce Fifty Millions per Annum of Coins of above denominations. And also your opinion as to the propriety of reducing or abolishing the charge for coinage.

Very Respectfully
Yours Obt. Servt.
Wm. A. Gwin

Wm Jas Ross Snowden
Director of the Mint. Phila.

From To,

Hon W^m M. Grover
Finance Committee

U. S. L
Washington City

Cost of converting Standard
gold notes into
Coin. - Propmtly of
Washington Coinage
Charge.

Jan 19, 1860.

Jan. 7. 1.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 17th inst. making
an inquiry, as to the cost of Conventions, & find
yourself, say of the value of fifty millions of
dollars, into our Convention. Since I wrote
the letter to Mr. Hunter, & which ~~you~~ you
refer, we have received large amounts
of letters of that character, including
English donations. These donations
do not lead me to modify my estimate
of the cost of Conventions, except to say
that the expense of covering the same
you name (50 millions) might be
less put at 3 millions, or less than 1/2
one per cent, if spread upon in
one institution.

In reply to your inquiry as
to the propriety of retaining, or abolishing
the charge for Conventions, I have to state
that if any change is made in this matter,
I think it would be advisable to abolish

the Congress charge, but leaving them
for signing, ~~signing~~, as they
were intended. Previous to the passage of
the act of March 1853 no charge for
Congress was levied upon the clerks
of the House, & it was the wish of
the Committee to encourage the
system of being dominated by
the House. Others tell the former
intent on this subject: and this
also explains a lot of the
policy. Previous in the past
with reference to the House
of Representatives, the House
of Representatives paid Congress
for the House of Representatives
the House of Representatives, and
I state first the legal content
of an amount of 5000 contained
therein, and second, the House of
Representatives paid the House of
Representatives of the House of
Representatives. So that there are
in fact two calculations; one for

other persons than ourselves, and
for comparison, send the other a
statement of the exchange value
at the time. See further on this
subject, H. 35, 7 of my report for the
last year, you are a copy of which
I herewith enclose.

I have at the time some very
sensitive and powerful. I always
express this report. It is a highly
important one, and will draw
the attention of your committee.

I have the honor to be,
with personal regards,
Yours truly,
James C. Buchanan

Hon. Wm. H. Fox
Committee on Finance
Senate of the United States
Washington D.C.

Jan. 2.

60.

Dear Sir,

The duties as well as the hindrances which pertain to the departure of one person and the coming in of a new one, has ^{of the 28th inst.} been mentioned in earlier reply to your ~~request~~ letter which however I only received on the 31st ult.

I have carefully considered the matters in question, and find that there are difficulties in the way of answering them with any great degree of exactness or precision. The operations of the Mint being upon both the precious metals - gold and silver - which are of such different values in proportion to weight and bulk; and the same workmen, machinery and implements (and some materials) being employed upon both, the records of that Institution do not furnish us with any reliable data upon which I can respond to the various inquiries. I may also state that the

Cost of Counting gold bullion of any
kind with coins depends upon the
amount of metal to be operated upon.
It is also to be noted that from the
ingots delivered to the Comptroller, about
three-fifths of the quantity goes to the
mills and the balance in what is
called "clippings", which, of course,
must be melted and assayed
before the gold can be returned to the
Comptroller and so from time to time
repeated re-melt are made of
the balance of the bullion and are
delivered in coins. For example,
if we were required to make a
return of say \$500,000 in
coins in one transaction, it would
be necessary to have pits sufficient
to make ingots to the amount of
say \$800,000.

With a sufficient bullion fund on
hand to cover the expenses of melting
re-melt, and repeated operations,
on different deliveries of metal

to make an estimate of the cost of
material, and labor, including
wages, say, \$500.00
in value of standard ingots, and then
at a profit, say, the one-fourth of
one per cent. For the reasons before
stated an estimate of that kind can
be made on a close basis.

The cost of buying foreign coins of
English and French - and as they
are in the process, in making
up the mules, Copper is added to reduce
it to our standard, and the
latter, being ~~1~~ below our standard
five per cent is added to bring it up
to our standard. ©

I am very respectfully,

Yours obedient servant,

Wm. C. McClinton,

U.S. Senator,

Washington City.

Director of the Mint

© Note. The French Standard of fineness is
900 thousandths, but the coins are only 899.

NEW YORK STATE LIBRARY



Regents of the University of the State of New York
(ex officio)

TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY

Albany

Jan. 17 1860.

Hon.

James Ross Snowden
Director &c

Please send me (for Mr Jesse
C. Potts of Albany) a set of the
Master silver coins & cent of 1869.
& please direct what I shall remit
i.e. bank note or check.

Respectfully Yours

Wm. A. Hickox

Jan 19, 1860

Circular sent with P.S. stating that
he might remit by B. (note & check as
most convenient to him.)

From

John H. Hickox & Co

Albany

N.Y.

Answer by circular

Post Script as
to mode of remitting

Jan 29, 1860

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/JANUARY (CONT.)

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/FEBRUARY

Returns of 50 Blls. Mint Sweeps, weighed by order of Mr. E. A. Parker

<u>E</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>E</u>
	430	399	403	432	485
	475	480	420	414	410
	438	427	441	446	451
	440	434	433	455	448
	406	445	486	421	444
	422	451	438	402	403
	455	427	443	434	426
	416	461	440	418	442
	460	389	418	441	435
	413	431	427	449	470
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New York Jan. 7. 1860

Isiah Stacey Weigher

Return of 50 Bbs.
Lumps weighed by order
of E. A. Packer
New York.
Jan 7. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 14 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$150,000. in Gold Coins on ac of in-
voice No 12.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Watson Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 17/60

73 Bleeker St N. York Feb 17th 1860

Hon. James Ross Snowden

Dear Sir

I am in the coin business here, and have lately issued a catalogue, a copy of which I have forwarded to your address, it was my intention, to have done so, when it was first issued. I have noticed that some of the silver coins of 1859, were rather scarce, and would feel obliged to you if you would annex to the enclosed list, ^{and return it to me} the number of pieces of coin that have been issued. We have a $\frac{1}{4}$ dollar of 1853 without the rays and arrow-heads, we have been told that it was not genuine, would you please say if there was any coined, and if so, how many?

Yours Respy
Wm. H. Dayton

From
Mr. H. Sayler
New York

Statistics of
Commerce

Feb 22. 1860

February 22, 0.

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I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 17th inst.

The enclosed statement contains the
information you desire in relation to the earnings of
the year 1852.

Very Respectfully,
James B. Pendleton,
Minister of the Interior.

Wm. H. Bayne Esq.
73 Nassau Street
New York.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 16 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$ 83,842.57 for balance due on invoice No 11.

Very Respectfully,

Wm. J. Geo

Treasurer

J. A. Walton Esq
Treasurer of U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Of

N. York

Feb. 16/60

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, January 15th 1860

Sir

I have rec'd This day \$200 000. in ⁴/₅ of invoice No 11.
and now enclose statement of two boxes fine gold bars of the
net value of \$102,057.29 for which please remit double
eagles.

In relation to the discrepancy in the gross weight of
invoice No 12, of 50 1100 lbs, I have ascertained that the
figures furnished by the M & R. the Weigh Clerk and the
bar clerk, correspond, I am therefore led to believe that no
error exists in that. The M & R. has noticed your remarks
concerning water in the bars, and he states that he will
take especial care, that feature does not again occur.
Though he has confidence in the accuracy of his balances,

Mr Tompkins has arrived & will proceed to adjust them
of the weigh room tomorrow.

J H Walton Esq

Treas'r U. S. Mint,

Phil^a.

Very Respectfully,

Wm J Geo
Treas'r

Treas. Atty Off

N. York

Feb. 15/60

No. *15*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Two boxes, containing
Gold Bullion, of the net value of (*\$ 102,057.29*)*One hundred & two thousand*
and fifty seven $\frac{29}{100}$ Dollars,which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.New York, *July 15* 18*60*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

Li

Treasury Department
July 14th 1860

Your report of the 2nd inst upon the Memorial
submitted by the Hon. John Cochrane was duly
received.

Having since received other representations
of the superabundance of cents I have to day
suggested to the Chairman of the Committee on
Finance the expediency of repealing the 2^d section
of the Act of March 1854.

Such repeal will enable us to stop all exchanges
for fractional Spanish American silver coins - the
great profit of which, beyond the intrinsic value of such
coins, is probably one of the reasons why the channels of
circulation are now stated to be overloaded with cents.

A. R. Snowden &

Assistant of the Mint
Phil'a

Very respectfully,
Yours obed^t Servant

Wm. H. Cobb

Secretary of the Treasury

Imp. Treasury

Washington City

To the Superintendent
of Cents this recommendation

to Chairman of
Finance Com^t to repeal
the 2nd Sec of the
Act of March 1839.

Feb 16. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 14th 1860

Sir

I herewith inclose receipt & invoice
of Three boxes gold bullion of the net value
of \$192,811.60 for which please remit double
eagles at your earliest convenience

J. A. Watton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Very Respectfully
Wm. J. C. Wood
Treasurer

Proc. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 14/60

No. *114*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Three boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (*\$192,811.60*)

One hundred & ninety two thousand

Eight hundred & eleven $\frac{60}{100}$ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

July 14 18*60*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

ORIGINAL.

Boston Feb 13th 1860

Dear Sir

Some time since
We sent on to the Mint in Phil
One hundred and ninety dollars
in old Cents enclosed in two Boxes
viz one hundred and fifteen in 1
and Seventy five in the other.
We have recd a Receipt from the
Mint for \$180 which is a mistake
of Ten Dollars. We enclose
the receipt to you. Please send
us a Receipt for 190

and oblige Yours Respt

John L. Dyer & Co

35 School Street

Boston Mass

6045.92

$$\begin{array}{r} 19 \\ 35 \\ \hline 95 \\ 17 \\ \hline 6650. \end{array}$$

$$35) 600 \quad (17. \\ \underline{250} \\ 250$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 18 \\ 35 \\ \hline 90 \\ 14 \\ \hline 6400. \end{array}$$

Bro. F. Dyer Jr.

Boston

Feb. 13/60

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 13th 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of three boxes gold bars of the net value of \$206,045.34 for which I will thank you to remit double eagles at your earliest convenience

Very Respectfully

J. A. Walton Esq
Treasurer U.S. Mint

Wm. J. Waco
Treasurer

Philadelphia

P.S. I also find two boxes silver of the net value of \$4,685.13 contains gold \$395.96 net. for which please remit Silver dollars & gold Coins respectively.

Wm. J. Waco
Treasurer

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 13 / 60

No. 13

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Two boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 5081.09)

Five Thousand & Eighty

One

9 Dollars,
100

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *July 13* 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

W B Dineen
Per

ORIGINAL.

No. 12

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Three boxes, containing
Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *206,115.34*)
Two Hundred & Six Thousand
& Fifty Five *34*
—
100 Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *July 13* 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

W. B. Dinsmore
Treas.

N. Y. 138 Front St.
Feb. 11th 1860

Mr Ross Greenwood Esq

Coin Dept U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Dr. Sir

I shall be greatly indebted to you for the following information.
I am collecting statistics in regard to the copper coinage of the United States, and am very desirous that the items should be correct and reliable.

In what years were there no half cents coined?
During the years in which no half cents were coined, or at any other time, what pattern or specimen half cents were there struck off?
In what years were there cents of different dies coined? How many varieties in the different years? Were there any cents coined in 1815th? By answering these questions or any part of them you will much oblige

Yours obt^l friend

Benj. E. Prentiss

Baltimore Feb 11 1860
J. H. Walton Esq. Treas.
U.S. Mint Phil^a
Dear Sir.

We are the agents
in this city of the genuine
Morseman Zinc Co and
have on hand 18 or 20 tons
of their extra refined direct
& we believe it is the only lot
in any of the markets now.

If you will inform us you
are disposed to purchase it
we will name the price we
will deliver it at

Very Respectfully
J. H. Walton

E. Pratt & Bro

Baltimore

Feb. 11 / 60

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 11th 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$ 53,524.02 in gold coins in payment of
invoice No 10.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm J C W
Treasurer

Pres. Ass'y Off

N. York
Washington

Feb. 11/60

B

Boston, Feb. 10. 1860.

Dear Sir:

Thanks for your kindness your report came duly to hand. I inclose some scraps from one of our papers. to show you how great a noise the opponents of the Administration make about a very small matter and that in case where every school boy knows their statements to be false.

I hoped to hear that you had secured for me the two Half Cents - which I desired to complete my set - (1842 + 1852). The papers will have it that you have struck a pattern Half dollar with the head of Washington - the Hist. Mag. of the present ^{month} contains the item.

Please reserve a lot of the Proof Coins - in gold and silver - with the Cent - for me & whenever they are ready I will forward the amt.

Very Respectfully, Yours.

B. Ross Snowden. Esq. John Colburn.

From
J. Colburn
To J. Rozo Monday,

Feb. 10/1860
" Pattern pieces

Philadelphia, February 11th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

8 th 8 Cases Cent Alloy	2072 th
9 th 8 "	Ditto 2092
10 th 8 "	Ditto 2059
" 5 "	Ditto 1123
	7346 th

containing 881.52th Nickel @ \$1.50 1322 28

" 6464.48th Copper @ 23¹/₂¢ 1519 15

2841 43

10 per cent for making alloy as per

agreement $\frac{3}{4}$

28414 3125 57

Correct
John H Taylor

Cos

Return By 6 Cases Copper

#1057-1147-1167-1265-1075-1077 = 6788th @ 23¹/₂¢ 1595 18

Received Payment

\$1530 39

John M^CDowell Jr 1860

No. 44

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 10. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$50,000. in gold coins in 4c of invoice No. 10.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Watson Esq

Treas^r U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. C. B. Co
Treasurer

P.S. I expect to find one or two melts in Tomorrow
and if possible will endeavor to have it ready
for the One o'clock Train.

Pres. assay of

N. York

Feb. 10/60

United States Assay Office
New York Feb. 10, 1860.

Sir,

The balances used in our
Weigh-room require careful adjustment.
Can you send Mr. Tompkins over to
put them in order? I mention him
because the balance most in need of
attention was made by him. I would
suggest that an agreement as to his
pay per diem, in addition to traveling
expenses, be made before he starts.
As we are now ~~very~~ daily expecting a
California Steamer, Mr Tompkins had better
defer coming over till Thursday of next
week.

Very respectfully,

Your obt. servt.,

S. D. Butterworth
Supt

Am - J. R. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

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mm

Supt U. S. Army Office
N.Y.

Desires that
I will send all workmen
over to ~~repair~~ adjust
scales.

Mr. Thompson
Sir accordingly

Feb 13. 1860.

Unit of the United States.

Phila? Feb. 14, 1860.

Sir,

According to your request I send
Mr. Douglass to copy the business in the
high room. I have fixed his
compensation at \$3.00 per day and
his expenses, which you will pay him
when he has finished the work.

I am very respectfully

Yours Obediently

Samuel R. Channing.

Director of the Unit

Sam. F. Butterworth Esq
Super. Mfg. Office.
New York.

J

James A. Halton Esq
Treasurer Minn.

order Report receipts
of Bullion from assay
office N.Y. &c

Feb 10. 1860

Special File
"Instructions"

I have delayed sending Statement of
Account

Feb. 10. 0.

The Director requests that Drayton
as soon as bullion is received from
the assay Office a report of the
same be made to him, and
also that he be informed of any
unusual matter which occurs
in the correspondence respecting
such bullion.

Samuel R. Chandler,
Director of the Mint.

To.

James H. Walton Esq.,
Treasurer of the Mint.

Department of the Interior.
February 9th 1860

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the
8th instant, covering certificate of deposit for \$1187⁵⁰/₁₀₀
for which please accept my thanks.

Very respectfully,
Your obedient Servant.

J. Thompson
Secretary.

J Robt Snowden Esq.
Director U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.)

Imm,
Hon J. Thompson
Sec Interior
Washington

Ack Receipt of
Collection of Nat
An Centifical Society

Feb 10, 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 9. 1860

Sir

I have this day transmitted by the Adams Express Company - receipt & invoice inclosed, four boxes fine gold bars, of the net value of \$283,872 $\frac{57}{100}$ for which please remit double eagles.

I also return through the Express Co. a blank twenty dollar planchet, received in your remittance this morning, of \$100,616.27 which amount I have placed to the credit of your Ac.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq.

Treas^r U S Mint.

Philadelphia.

Wm J Esco
Treasurer

Pres. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 9/60

ORIGINAL.

No. *11*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Four boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (*\$ 283,872.57*)

Two hundred Eighty Three Thousand

Eight hundred Twenty Two

57
100 Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

July 9 186*0*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John H. Davis

4th 9 Feb 1860

My dear Sir

I am obliged to you
for your note of Yesterday.
I will be absent from
Philadelphia the rest of
this week; but expect
to have the pleasure of
writing upon you on
Monday Morning

Very Truly & Respectfully

John Cadwalader

Col Snodden
Director of the Mint

From
Am John Cadwalader
Phila.

Will be present

at annual
assay on Monday

Feb 9. 1860

New York 8 May 1863

I hope to know you.

Dear Sir

While you are taken from us, the smaller
quantity of the tickets in addition to the one last sent the whole amount is
not over \$1200. and if you will take this, we shall not trouble you
any more. It was sent as a sample, and we were expected to
have the more try it. But we shall not repeat any more if you
will take this, not interfere further with your dealings with others.
You shall have it, on some other terms, if we are sure that you are
not paying.

Very cordially

Your most obedt

Wm J. Hollister

The House

because of the House

Philada.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 8. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$150000. in Gold
Coins on Ac of invoice No 8.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Deane

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Chester, Mass. Off

N. York

Feb. 8/60

OFFICE OF
Petersons' Counterfeit Detector and Bank Note List.

306 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

CORRECTED BY

DREXEL & CO., Bankers and Brokers, Philadelphia.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION.

MONTHLY, per annum.....\$1.00. | SEMI-MONTHLY, per annum.....\$2.00.

Thru Febuary 7th 1860
J Ross Snowden Esq
Dear Sir

The enclosed I
cut from a R & L Detector and
I wish to know if it is true.
as I wish to make use of
it in our Detector.

An answer will much oblige

Yours Truly
W. S. Turner
Petersons Detector

GOLD DOLLARS.—There are in circulation seventeen million of those diminutive standards of value; a number which the Superintendent of the Mint thinks too many; and he is, therefore, going to withdraw any that come to the Mint and re-coin them in other denominations.

From

W. S. Turner

to J. Ross Snowden

Feb 7 1860

"
Recom^{See} "Dolls old issue"

Department of the Interior.
February 7th, 1860.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of yours, of the 6th instant, enclosing certificates of deposit for \$1,150⁰⁰/₁₀₀, for which please accept my thanks.

I enclose a draft for \$1,250⁰⁰/₁₀₀ on Cashier of the Farmers' & Mechanics' Bank of your City, and will be obliged if you will collect it, &c.

Very respectfully

Your Obedt Servt

L. Thompson
Secretary

J. Ross Snowden, Esq. }
Director U.S. Mint }
Philadelphia, Pa. }

From To
Hon J. Thompson
Sec Interior
Washington City

Collection of draft
on Farmers & Merch

Bank for \$1250

Per S. 1860

No 85

Office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States.

Philadelphia, Feby 8th 1860

I Certify That Ross Snowden per J. Thompson Secy of Interior
has this day deposited to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States,
Eleven hundred & Eighty Seven ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars
on account of Trust for Indian Tribes

for which
I have signed the plicate receipts.

\$1,187.50

HOFFMAN & MORWITZ. PRS., 465 N. THIRD ST.

J. M. Patton

Assistant Treasurer U. S.

Feb 8, 0.

Sir,

I received this morning your favor of yesterday enclosing draft on Farmers & Merchants Bank for \$1,250.00 which I have collected as follows:

Amount of your draft	\$1,250.00
Less of first sent to the same, as per Bank.	
Receipt, enclosed herewith	62.50
Net proceeds	<u>1,187.50</u>

for which please find enclosed certificates of deposit signed by the Asst. Treasurer of the U. S. in this city.

Very Respectfully,
Your obt. Servt.

Samuel R. Johnson.
Director of the Mint

Wm. J. Thompson.
Secretary of the Interior
Washington City.

South Danners

To the

Feb 7th 1860

Director of U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

Will you please to have
20 Silver and

5 Bronze Medals struck
from the "Peabody Medal".

Please send the Bill of
cost at an early day that there
may be no delay in their return
and I will remit the money -

Yours

Fitch Poole

for School Committee
of South Danners
Mass.

Order placed on hand,
Chief Corner Feb 9. 1860

Wm
Fitch Poole Esq
South Danvers
Mass

Order for
Peabody Medals

Feb 9, 1860

Feb 25, 1860

Advised Mr Poole
that medals are ready
Reverend Newman

Feb 24, 60

Sir,

The medals requested in your letter of the 7th inst. will be finished in the course of two or three days when they will be forwarded to your address. In the meantime please permit the cost thereof viz:

20 Fine Silver Medals @ \$2.50	\$50.00
5 Bronze " @ 10c	50c
	<u>\$50.50</u>

It is proper that I should inform you that your medal die is in a very bad condition. It is doubtful whether another lot of medals could be struck from it.

Very Respectfully,
S. B. Bowdler,
Director of the Mint.

Fifth Post Co.
for School Comm^{rs} V.
South Danvers,
Mass.

of
the Treasury

In favor of Application
of Mr J. S. Morris, Clerk
to Asst^r Treasurer U. S.
Phi^a, for increase of
Salary to \$1800 per
Annum

Feb 7. 1860. —

Sir,

I respectfully commend to your favorable consideration the application of Mr. John B. Morris, the Clerk of the 1st Precinct in the City, for an increase in his salary. The present is at \$1500 per annum, but it may be increased to \$1800 as is provided by the 13th Art. of the Act of May 4th 1854 (see Smith's Const. L. 58.)

Mr. Morris performs the important and responsible duties which pertain to his clerkship, in the most faithful and correct manner; and in view of these duties, and of the expenses of living in this City I hope his application may receive the approbation of the President of the Councils.

I have the honor to be,
with great respect,
your faithful servant,
James R. Henderson.

Respectfully,
Hon. Kenneth C. C.

In the presence of
Wm. H. H. H.

NAME

PAR VALUE

MARKET VALUE

Total,

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?
15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?
17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?
19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.
20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

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If not, did you instruct bank?
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11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
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15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?
17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?
19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.
20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Feb 6. 0.

Dear Sir,

The ad. of much ^{of the} ~~the~~ paper passed
at the time at their price value as before for
now and as for ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~envelope~~ ^{envelope} ~~the~~.

The other part at the present time
exchanging money for gold will amount
therefore approximately equal to the same change
in the price of gold as at your letter.

Very respectfully,
James P. Henderson
Minister of the Mint.

Mr. W. E. F. J. J.
Albany
New York

Albany Ga Jan 31, 1860
Superintendent U. S. Mint
Philadelphia Penn. }

Dear Sir

We have forty dollars in old quarters;
is it best ~~th~~ to keep them circulating
here, or can they be advantageously ~~be~~ sent
to you in exchange for new coin?

For checks on N York will you send
silver change by express in small sums?
say one to three hundred dollars?

Very respectfully

Chamberlin
For N York

From Dr
Nelson Gift
Albany
N.Y.

Exchange

Feb 6. 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 6. 1860

Sir

As per receipts and invoices enclosed I have
this day forwarded by the Adams Express Company,
five boxes Silver bullion of the net value of \$10,246.23
for which please remit Silver Dollars. Containing gold
\$1425.65 net; also two boxes Gold Bars, net value
\$103,524.02 for which, & the gold in Silver plate
and double eagles

Very Respectfully

Wm. H. Deane
Treasurer

J. H. Wadsworth Esq
Treas U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

$$1. \quad 25 \overline{) 138} \left(5 \frac{52}{50} \right)$$

$$24 \overline{) 242} \left(10 \frac{2}{200} \right)$$

$$2 \overline{) 15} \frac{5}{7.7}$$

Treat. Essay of

N. York

Feb. 6/60

ORIGINAL.

No. *10*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Two

boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *103,524.02*)

100 Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

July 6 18*60*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

No. 9

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Five boxes, containing

Silver Bullion, of the net value of (\$11,671.88)

Eleven thousand five

hundred & seventy one $\frac{88}{100}$ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure against all risks, and~~ deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

July 6, 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

ORIGINAL.

Treasury Department.
Comptroller's Office
February 4th 1860.

James H. Walton Esq.
Treasurer U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:-

Your a/c for rendering the
U.S. Mint fire proof, and to give additional security to
the funds deposited in its vaults, has this day been ad-
justed at the Treasury per Rep ct to 136.486, and found
to be closed on the Books of the Treasury, agreeing
with your statement.

Very Respectfully,

Your obt servt.

W. M. A. D
Comptroller,

Comptroller U.S.

Washington

Feb. 6/60

FEB 6-1860

REPLY FEB. 8-1860

RESPECTING TID FOIL IMPRESSION
OF MEDAL TO GOV. BLACKSNAKE
FROM GEN'L. WASHINGTON

Amount

Maker, indorser, and security

date
Due

Class "A"

Class "B"

Stow

Doublet

Overdue

When it may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "paid debts," and other overdue paper subject to classification.
List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such other

STOW AND DOUBLET PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

2
East Randolph
P. O. Catt Co. N.Y.
July 6. 1860

Dear Sir,

Enclosed please find
description of the medal
presented by Gen Washington
to Gen Blakeney. I
have taken impression in
tin foil & trust they will
arrive in safety

Very Truly

W. A. H. P. M.

To James Ross Snowden Esq

P.S. Please acknowledge receipt

From To
A. A. Holt
Postmaster
East Randolph
N.Y.

Copy of the
present to
Beckwith
San. Washington

Feb 8, 1860

dear Sir,

I am much obliged to you for your favor of the 6th inst enclosing his private impression of a medal in your possession. I find that I hope, an excellent copy of the medals in Copper,

as these medals appear to have been presented to Indian Chiefs: the design on the reverse was doubtless intended to suggest to them the advantages of civilized life, and the importance of domestic manufactures, and the comforts of a home.

With many thanks for your kind attention,

I am, with great respect,

Yours Obedient servant,

James Peck Sherman,

Director of the Mint.

New York.

U. S. Mint & Co.

Post Master,

East Randolph D.C.

Catharine Co.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such furtherment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

[illegible]

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

Museum Department
Feb 6. 1860.

Sir

I enclose herewith an extract from a letter received from C. W. S. Nicholson Consul of the U States at San Francisco with the specimens of Gold & silver pieces referred to by him. I will thank you to have an assay made of these coins and their value in Dollars & Cents reported to this Department.

I am very Respectfully
Yours
Sec of the Treasury

J. R. Snowden
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Treasury Department
Feb 3 6. 1860.

Sir

I enclose herewith an extract from a letter received from G. W. S. Nicholson Consul of the U States at San Francisco with the specimens of Gold & silver pieces referred to by him. I will thank you to have an assay made of these coins and their value in Dollars & Cents reported to this Department.

I am very Respc
Wm W. Willcox
Sec of the Treasury

J. R. Snowden
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

From To
The Sec Treasury
Washington City

Assay of loms
from Tunis
value thereof
enclosed

Feb 9, 1860

Feb. 9.4 a.

Sir,

I remain in due time your servant of
the 6th inst, and am now able to deposit
the result of our examination of the
coins of Tunis which you enclosed for
us.

The gold piece of 25 piastres weighs
0.161 oz, or 77.3 Troy grains, is 900
thousandths fine, and is valued at
\$3.00 as compared with our Gold Coin.

The silver piece of 5 piastres weighs
0.511 oz or 235.3 Troy grains, and is
898½ thousandths fine, indicating an
intrinsic standard of 900 which we
may assume would appear upon an
assay of pieces. There is no fixed
valuation for them, the law providing for
shifting the price according to the condition
of demand and supply; but at our present
market rate namely, 12½ cents per ounce of

Standard finding, the piece would be
worth 61.8 cents: the market value
however
is nearer or nearer to 122 cents per
ounce, at which rate the piece would be
worth 62.3 cents, which in effect
confirms the estimate of Mr. Nicholson,
our Consul at Tunis, placing the
piece at $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents. The gold piece
he is 12 cents according to the
statement of the agent of the gold piece
of 25 piastres.

It is very interesting to observe, by
these pieces, that great improvement has
been made in the coinage of Tunis,
both as to standards of weight and
fineness, and style of execution. As
late as 1839 the gold piece
contained only 27 for cent silver the
remaining 73 for cent being copper
and there was no gold coinage. The
standard finding is now the same
as the United States, France, and
most civilized countries, and it appears

to be honestly maintained.

As the Comptroller states that the old coins are current it will be well perhaps to inform him that although he is debased in fineness, yet the old piece is rather better than the same in value, if of full weight.

The value of the piece you sent, one as follows; the ^{silver} piece A. N. 1268, corresponding to A. D. 1851; the gold piece A. N. 1276 equal to A. D. 1859. I mention this because we had occasion to melt the coins. I herewith enclose the value of them, namely, \$3.63.

I have the honor
with great respect,
to remain
Your faithful servant
James A. B. Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Wm. Russell Cobb,
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington D. C.

Extract from a communication addressed to the Secretary
of the Treasury by George W. S. Nicholson Esq. U. States
Consul at Tunis, Barbary States, dated Decemr. 31. 1859 -

" I enclose you herewith two perfect and unworn specimens of
the currency of this Regency - one, the gold, of twenty five piastres,
and another the silver of five piastres - Please have them assayed
at our Mint and their exact value in American Currency reported
to me - In making up my returns and vouchers I am now compelled
to guess at the value of the piastre of Tunis - I have estimated it
as worth $12\frac{1}{2}$ cents - My drafts are paid in the silver five piastre
piece mostly with some gold - A limited quantity of one, two, three
and four piastres in Silver are stamped at the Mint, but they rarely
enter into the currency. - The old depreciated one and two piastre
pieces are still generally used for small change. "

Department of the Interior
February 4th 1860.

Sir,

Herewith are enclosed forty six coupons, of the value of \$1.150 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀, for the interest, due the 1st inst, on coupon bonds of the State of Pennsylvania, held by me in trust, &c. — I will be obliged if you will collect them, deposite the proceeds, and forward certificates in the usual form to this Department.

I will also be obliged if you will advise me upon whom to draw for the interest due on certificate stocks of the State, held as above.

Very respectfully
Yours obt^d Serv^t

L. Mowbray
Secretary

J. Robt Snowden, Esq.
Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia.

Wm L.

Am. J. Thompson

Sec Interior

Collection of
46 Coupers

Penn Bonds -

Rec'ds deposited
Certificate sent
as requested

Feb 6. 1860

February 6, 0.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 4th. inst enclosing forty six
coupons. of the value of \$1.150⁰⁰, for the interest
due the ret. inst. on coupon bonds of the State of Pennsylvania,
held by you in trust &c.

I have collected the coupons and deposited
the proceeds in the office of the Asst. Treasurer
of the U. S. in this city and enclose certificates
therefor in the usual form.

The interest due on Penn. certificates is
payable at the Farmers & Mechanics Bank in this
city. If you send me a draft on the cashier
of that institution for the amount I will take
pleasure in collecting the same for you.

Very Respectfully,
Yours obt. servant,
Samuel R. H. H. H.
Director of the Mint.

Hon. J. Thompson,
Secretary of the Interior,
Washington City.

Duplicate

Philadelphia, February 4th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.
NICKEL.
COPPERAS.
BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^cDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

1 st	8 Casks Cent Alloy	2038
2 ^d	8 " Ditto do	2049
3 ^d	8 " Ditto do	2033
"	9 " Ditto do	2229
		<u>8349^{ts}</u>

Containing	1001.88 ^{ts} Nickel	@ \$1.50	15112.82
"	7347.12 ^{ts} Copper	@ 23 ¹ / ₂ ¢	<u>1726.57</u>
			3229.89
10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement			<u>322.94</u>
			3552.33

Cr.

By C. Casks Copper

Conect #1278-1084-1147

John W. Taylor 1189-1219-1594 = 7511^{ts} @ 23¹/₂¢

Asst M^r

Received Payment

1765.09

\$1787.24

34

For M^cDowell Jr & Co

JOHN McDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ALLOY OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

REGISTERED IN

321

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Feb. 6, 1860.

Dear Sir,

The ^{old} coin referred to in your letter

Mon. Co.

John C. Parry
Pittsburg
Pa

Recd. Bills for
Tolls enclosed. -
Request him to draw
on me for amt.

Feb 4, 1860

Feb 4. 6.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 27th inst
concerning receipts, &c, for 1865, is received.

You will please draw on
me at sight for the amount of your bill.

I enclose a draft of dimensions
of a roll required for this institution.
Be pleased to make and forward it as soon
as convenient.

Very Respectfully,
James R. L. L. L.
Director of the Museum

John C. L. L.
Presiding

Payments - Total L. L. \$61.00

By Total L. L. 671.46

Amount of draft \$733.26

James Rob Snowden Esqr.

Sir

You will please find
enclosed receipted Bills with duplicate receipts
of Bills January 13th last. Also the same of January
28th last in accordance with your instructions
of date January 31st 76 and duplicate above
I am sorry I did not send these duplicate
Bills receipted on with the shipments as it
would ^{save} you this trouble of writing - but will
do so after this - we will wait your instruc-
tions to draw on you for some amount

Truly & respectfully
Yours, &c

Wm L Perry
By D H Perry

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 4. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$73,070.84 in Gold Coins, in payment
of invoice No. 7.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Chase

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Heat. assay Off

N. York

Feb. 4/60

CASH CAPITAL \$ 500,000.

\$ 4,000

BY THIS POLICY OF INSURANCE
THE

No. 10138

Security Fire Insurance Company

OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK



In Consideration of Eleven ^{52/100} Dollars
to them paid by the insured hereinafter named, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, Do Insure
S. Ross Snowden

AGAINST LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE TO THE AMOUNT OF

Four Thousand Dollars

On 50 Barrels of "Kink Sweepings" (merchandise hazardous
and Extra Hazardous, his own or held by him in trust or on
commission, or sold but not delivered, contained in the Store
Situate No. 266 South Street in this City.

\$ 4,000

Three Months @ 80/32

\$ 12.80

Less 10% 1.28

\$ 11.52

AND THE SAID COMPANY do hereby promise and agree, to make good unto the said insured, his executors, administrators and assigns, all such loss or damage, not exceeding in amount the sum insured, as shall happen by fire to the property, as above specified, during Three Months to wit: from the Third day of November one thousand eight hundred and Fifty Nine (at twelve o'clock at noon,) until the Third day of February one thousand eight hundred and Sixty (at twelve o'clock at noon,) the said loss or damage to be estimated according to the actual cash value of the said property, at the time the same shall happen; and to be paid within sixty days after due notice and proof thereof made by the insured, in conformity to the conditions annexed to this Policy, unless the property be replaced, or the Company have given notice of their intention to rebuild or repair the damaged premises. PROVIDED ALWAYS, and it is hereby declared, that this Corporation shall not be liable to make good any loss or damage by fire, which may happen by means of any invasion, insurrection, riot or civil commotion, or of any military or usurped power. AND PROVIDED FURTHER, that if any other insurance has been or shall hereafter be made upon the said property not consented to by this Company in writing hereon, or if the said property shall be sold or conveyed, or if this Policy shall be assigned without the consent of the Company obtained in writing hereon, or if the assured shall make any attempt to defraud the Company, then and in every such case, this Policy shall be null and void. In case of loss, the insured shall not recover on this Policy any greater proportion of the loss or damage sustained to the subject insured, than the amount hereby insured shall bear to the whole amount insured on the said property. And if the above mentioned premises shall be used at any time during the period for which this Policy should otherwise continue in force, shall be used for the purpose of carrying on therein any trade or occupation, or for storing or keeping therein any articles, goods, or merchandise, denominated hazardous or extra hazardous, or specially hazardous, in the second class of the classes of hazards annexed to this Policy, except as herein specially provided for, or hereafter agreed to by this Corporation, in writing, upon this Policy, from thenceforth so long as the same shall be so used, this Policy shall be of no force or effect. AND IT IS MORROVER DECLARED that this insurance is not intended to apply to, or cover any books of accounts, written securities, deeds, or other evidences of title to property; nor to bonds, bills, notes, or other evidences of debt; nor to money or bullion; and that casts, curiosities, engravings, jewelry, jewels, medals, models, musical and scientific instruments, (piano fortes in dwelling houses excepted,) paintings, patterns, plate, precious stones, printed music, prints, sculptures, statuary and watches, are not deemed to be included in any insurance, unless particularly specified in writing in this Policy.

☞ WHENEVER gunpowder, or any other article, subject to legal restriction, shall be kept in said premises, in quantities greater than the law allows, or in a manner different from that prescribed by law, unless said use or keeping is specially provided for herein, this Policy shall be null and void.

☞ If steam power be used in or about said premises, and the boiler burst, or if any property hereby insured be struck by lightning, or damaged by explosion from any cause whatever, this Company shall not be liable unless fire ensues, and then for the loss by fire only.

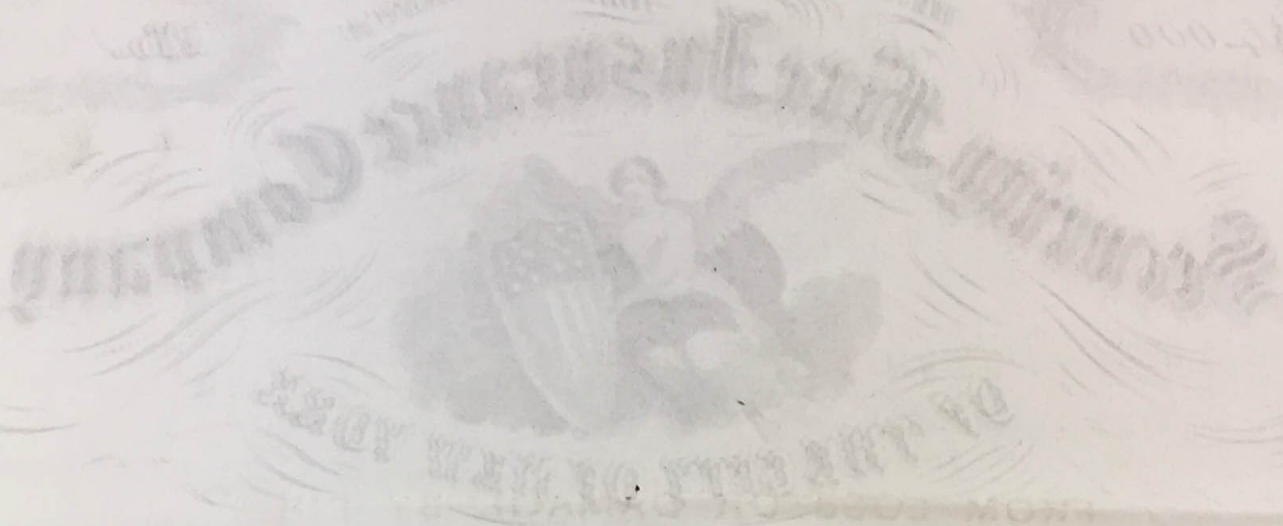
☞ THIS POLICY is made and accepted in reference to the terms and conditions herein contained, and hereto annexed, which are hereby declared to be a part of this contract.

In Witness Whereof, the SECURITY FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY have caused these Presents to be signed by their PRESIDENT, and attested by their SECRETARY, in the City of NEW-YORK, this Third day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Fifty Nine.

ATTESTED,

Richard L Haydock SECRETARY.

Cuppl Walker PRESIDENT.
Wm Wmrsall Vice Pres



The Security Fire Insurance Company, hereby consent that the interest of
in the within Policy, be assigned to
subject, nevertheless, to all the conditions therein contained.

New York,

18

SECRETARY.

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, hereby transfer, assign and set-over unto
and assigns,
all title and interest in this Policy, and all advantages to be derived therefrom.
Witness hand, this day of
Signed and delivered }
in presence of } (Signature,)

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Signed and delivered }
in presence of } (Signature,)

The Security Fire Insurance Company,

OFFICE No. 31 PINE STREET.—Capital, 500,000 Dollars.

DIRECTORS.

JOSEPH WALKER,
WILLIAM F. MOTT,
JOHN HALSEY,
EDWARD WOOD,
ROBERT L. CASE,
WM. DENNISTOUN,
EDWD. MERRITT,
HENRY BARROW,
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JOSEPH LAWRENCE,
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EDWD WILLETS,
E. J. DONNELL,
JOHN R. WILLIS,
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WILLIAM GRAYDON,

RICHARD L. HAYDOCK, Sec'y.

JOSEPH WALKER, President.

THOMAS W. BIRDSALL, Vice-President.

PROPOSALS FOR INSURING

HOUSES, MANUFACTORIES, BUILDINGS, MACHINERY, GOODS, MERCHANDISE, CHATTELS, AND PERSONAL ESTATE, SHIPS, VESSELS, AND CARGOES, (in Port only,) AND SHIPS BUILDING,
FROM LOSS OR DAMAGE BY FIRE.

CLASSES OF HAZARDS.

FIRST CLASS.

NOT HAZARDOUS.—STAPLE FOREIGN DRY GOODS in packages, and Staple Domestic Dry Goods, and HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE in dwelling-houses, may be insured at 5 cents per \$100, in addition to the rate of the building.

HAZARDOUS, NO. 1.—The following articles of MERCHANDISE are charged 10 cents per \$100 more than the building, but do not increase the rate of the building nor its other contents: Stocks of general dry goods, including cotton batts and wadding; of embroideries and laces; of pins; of tailors' goods and of ready-made clothing; also, agricultural implements; boots and shoes; coffee; flour; furs and peltries, in packages; glass, (window or plate, or looking glasses,) in boxes; hardware and cutlery; hides and leather; hops in bales; indigo; iron-ware; metals, (in bars, rods, pigs and sheets); paints; paper hangings; paper in reams; pot, pearl and soda ashes; rice; salt; spices; straw-braid and straw hats, in packages as imported; teas; threshed grain; tin, copper and sheet ironware; tobacco; snuff; whalebone; wine in casks and in glass, in packages.

EXTRA HAZARDOUS, NO. 1.—The following articles of MERCHANDISE are charged 20 cents per \$100 more than the building, but do not increase the rate of the building nor its other contents: Artificial flowers and feathers; gas fixtures; china, or glass, or earthenware or window or plate glass, or looking-glasses, unpacked; colormen's stock; fishing tackle; furs unpacked; liquor and wines in glass, unpacked; musical instruments and printed music; percussion caps; pictures and prints; precious stones; silver plate and plated ware; straw goods; india rubber hard goods; also, stocks of books; of cabinet ware; of confectionery; of daguerreotype materials; of carriages; of feathers; of jewelry; of watches; of watch makers' tools; of lamps; of brushes; of millinery; of military goods; of needles; of optical and mathematical instruments; of paper boxes and band boxes; of perfumery; of pocket books; of segars in segar stores and manufactories; of stationery; of toys.

SECOND CLASS.

HAZARDOUS, NO. 2.—The following TRADES, OCCUPATIONS AND MERCHANDISE add to the rate of the building and its contents 10 cents per \$100: Belting and car springs of india rubber or gutta percha; card printing; china or earthen or glassware in boxes, crates or casks; eating houses; porter-houses; fire crackers in packages; flax, hemp, manilla and sisal grass and tow, in bales; flocks; grocers' stocks; gum shellac; gutta percha and india rubber unmanufactured; hat ironing; oil, (fish and vegetable); provisions; sail making; spirituous liquors; sugars; sulphur; tallow; taverns; wine dealers' stock; wool.

EXTRA HAZARDOUS, NO. 2.—The following articles of MERCHANDISE add to the rate of the building and its contents 20 cents per \$100: Alcohol; apothecaries' stocks; (retail only); basket sellers' stocks; china or earthen or glassware, or looking glasses, with privilege of packing or unpacking; cotton in bales; cotton brokers' samples; drugs, (importers stocks of, without inflammable acids or phosphorus,) essential oils; gum copal; india rubber and gutta percha goods; hay and straw pressed in bundles; lime unslacked in lime stores; manilla and sisal grass unpacked; matches, stocks of, on sale; oakum in bales; oiled clothing; painters' stock; pitch; rags in packages; rosin and rosin oil; ship chandlery; turpentine; tar; of spirits of turpentine; varnish; wood and willow ware.

EXTRA HAZARDOUS, NO. 3.—The following TRADES AND OCCUPATIONS add to the rate of the building and its contents 20 cents per \$100: Bakeries with ovens outside the building and using coal; basket bleaching; basket making; blacksmith shops; block and pump making; bottling cellars; box repairing workshops; brass turning and working; carving; chocolate making; coopering; copper-plate printing; daguerreotyping; electro-plating; fringe making by hand power; gas fitting; gilding; gold pen making; gun repairing; hat bleaching; jewelry manufacturing; lamp manufacturing; liquor bottling establishments; lithographing; map mounting and varnishing; morocco manufacturing; plumbing and pewtering; printing of newspapers and engravings by hand-power only; provision warehouses with brick smoke houses attached; silversmithing; tin or sheet iron, or copper working; turning in wood; umbrella manufacturing; upholstery; also private stables.

SPECIALLY HAZARDOUS.—The following TRADES, OCCUPATIONS AND MERCHANDISE add to the rate of the building and its contents 50 cents, or more, per \$100, and to be covered must be specially written in the Policy: Acids, (nitric, sulphuric, muriatic and other acids causing ignition); bakeries, (burning wood); brush and bellows' making; burning fluid; camphene; cotton unpacked; cotton presses; druggists' stocks (wholesale); ether; fireworks; flax unpacked; gunpowder; hemp unpacked; houses being built, altered or repaired; junk shops; livery stables; mungo; omnibus stables; phosphorus; provisions in smoke houses; rag stores; saltpetre; shoddy; smoke houses; spirit gas on sale; steam engines in use; theatres and other places of public exhibition; tow unpacked; wool waste; and all workshops, manufacturing establishments, trades and mills not above enumerated as hazardous or extra hazardous.

CAMPENE, SPIRIT GAS, or "BURNING FLUID," or any similar inflammable fluid, when used in stores, warehouses, shops or manufactories as a light, subjects the goods therein to an additional charge; and such use is prohibited under this Policy, unless permission therefor shall be endorsed in writing hereon.

FENCES AND OTHER YARD FIXTURES, also Store Furniture and Fixtures, must be separately and specifically insured.

CONDITIONS OF INSURANCE.

I. If any person effecting Insurance in this Company, shall make any misrepresentation or concealment touching the risk to be assumed, or if, during the existence of this Policy, or any renewal thereof, the risk shall be increased by any means within the control of the assured; or by the occupation of the premises for more hazardous purposes than are permitted by this Policy; or if the assured, at or before the taking of any renewal, shall fail to notify the Company, in writing, of any increase of the hazard, whether within or without the premises, this Policy shall be void. Every renewal shall be deemed to be made upon the faith of the representation on which the original Policy was granted, unless superseded by a new description of the risk.

II. This Insurance may be terminated at any time, at the request of the assured, in which case the Company shall retain only the customary short rates for the time the Policy has been in force. The insurance may also be at any time terminated at the option of the Company, on giving notice to that effect and refunding a ratable proportion of the premium for the unexpired term of the Policy.

III. If the Property to be insured be held in trust or on commission, or be a leasehold, or other interest not absolute, it must be so represented to the Company, and expressed in the policy in writing; otherwise the insurance, as to such property, shall be void, and in case of loss, the names of the respective owners shall be set forth in the preliminary proofs of such loss, with their respective interests therein.

IV. Goods held on storage must be separately and specifically insured.

V. No Insurance, whether original or continued, shall be considered as blinding, until the actual payment of the premium.

VI. It is agreed that the person or persons, if any, other than the insured, who have procured this Insurance, to be taken by this Company, shall be deemed to be the agent or agents of the assured, and not of this Company in any transactions relating to this Insurance.

VII. If at the happening of any fire the assured shall have Insurance under a floating policy or policies, not specific, but covering goods generally, in various places not designated, and yet within limits which include the premises or property herein insured, such policy, as between the assured and this Company, shall be considered as covering any excess of sound value of the subject insured beyond the amount covered by the specific Insurances thereon; and to determine the amount for which this Company is liable in case of loss, such floating policy shall be considered an Insurance on the property to the extent of such excess.

VIII. In case of fire, or exposure to loss or damage thereby, the insured shall use their best endeavors to save and protect the property, and the Company shall not be liable for any loss sustained in consequence of neglect to do so; and it is mutually understood that there can be no abandonment to the insurers of the subject insured.

IX. Persons sustaining loss or damage by fire, shall forthwith give notice thereof in writing to the Company, and as soon after as possible, they shall deliver as particular an account of the loss and damage as the nature of the case will admit, signed with their own hands. And they shall accompany the same with their oath or affirmation, declaring the said account to be true and just; showing, also, the ownership of the property insured;

what other Insurance, if any, existed on the same property, and giving a copy of the written portion of the Policy of each Company; what was the whole cash value of the subject insured; in what manner the building insured, or containing the subject insured, and the several parts thereof were occupied at the time of the loss; who were the occupants of such building, and when and how the fire originated, so far as they know or believe. They shall also produce a certificate under the hand and seal of a magistrate, or notary public, most contiguous to the place of the fire, loss or damage alleged; that he has examined the circumstances attending the fire, loss or damage; and that he verily believes that such claimant has, by misfortune, and without fraud or evil practice, sustained loss and damage to the subject insured to the amount which such magistrate or notary public shall certify.

When merchandise, or other personal property, is partially damaged, the insured shall forthwith cause it to be put in as good order as the nature of the case will admit; assorting and arranging the various articles, according to their kinds; separating the damaged from the undamaged; and shall cause an inventory to be made, and furnished to the Company, of the whole, naming the quantity and cost of each. The amount of sound value, and damage shall then be ascertained by the examination and appraisal of each article by disinterested appraisers, mutually agreed upon.

Whenever required, in writing, the insured, or person claiming, shall exhibit his books of account, and other vouchers, to the insurers or their agent, at the office of this Company, and permit copies thereof to be made, and shall also exhibit to any persons named by the Company, and shall permit to be examined by them, any property damaged on which loss is claimed, or any property saved which was insured by this Policy, and until such proofs, declarations and certificates are produced, and such appraisals and examinations of property and accounts permitted by the claimant, the loss shall not be payable.

In case of claim for loss or damage on a Policy assigned, where there is no actual sale or transfer of the property insured, proofs of loss shall be made by the assured in conformity with the conditions of this Policy, in like manner as if no assignment had been made; otherwise this Policy shall be void.

The cash value of property destroyed or damaged by fire shall be deemed to be such as it may cost at the time of the fire to replace the same.

X. In case of any loss or damage to the property insured, it shall be optional with the Company to replace the articles lost or damaged, with others of the same kind and quality, or to take the goods at their appraised value, or to rebuild or repair the building or buildings within a reasonable time; giving notice of their intention to do so within thirty days after having received the preliminary proofs of loss required by these conditions.

XI. In case differences shall arise concerning the amount of any loss or damage, the matter, at the written request of either party, shall be submitted to the judgment of disinterested arbitrators, mutually chosen, whose award shall be binding on the parties as to such amount; but such award shall not decide the liability of this Company under this Policy.

XII. All fraud or attempt at fraud by false swearing or otherwise, shall cause a forfeiture of all claim on this Company under this Policy.

By the vote of more than two-thirds of the Board of Directors of this Company, and with the assent of more than three-fourths in amount of the stockholders thereof, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the Company (as follows): "Sec. 26. The Board of Directors may at any time hereafter, by a vote of two-thirds thereof, (the written consent of the holders of three-fourths in amount of the stock first being had) permit the holders of the policies of such Company the right to participate in the net profits of the Company, in such manner and upon such terms as shall be deemed expedient," the holder of this policy is entitled to participate in the net profits of the business of the Company, as hereinafter set forth, unless upon the same shall be written the words following, or words to a similar effect, namely: "This policy does not entitle the holder to participate in the profits;" and the holder, whenever such endorsement shall be made, shall not be entitled to participate in the profits of the Company.

First.—Within one month after the expiration of each year, the profits of the business for the year shall be ascertained, in order to divide and distribute the same to the stockholders and policy holders, according to their respective interests therein. These profits shall be determined in the following manner: (\$500,000)

Interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum upon the capital (\$500,000) and upon whatever amount of surplus, not belonging to, or set apart for, policy or scripholders, shall remain undivided, shall be first retained and set apart as the property of the stockholders, the balance of interest received or accrued during the year on loans, including the discounts on losses paid before maturity, and the amount of premiums earned during such year shall then be ascertained, and the sum of these shall be considered the gross receipts.

The general expenses, taxes, losses, and the interest paid or payable to scrip-holders, and all other contingent charges and liabilities, shall be considered gross expenses; the gross expenses being deducted from the gross receipts, the balance shall be considered the profits of the business for the year, and this estimate shall be binding and conclusive upon all parties entitled to participate in said profits.

Second.—Three-fourths of the balance of profits so ascertained shall be divided to policy holders, and scrip shall be issued to them for such sums as they shall be respectively entitled to, in proportion to the amount of premium paid by each, which scrip shall be entitled to such interest, not exceeding six per cent annually, as, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, the business of each year shall warrant; but no scrip shall be issued to any policy holder for a less sum than Five Dollars, and each certificate which shall be issued for a larger sum, shall only be for an exact multiple of Five Dollars, and the remaining one-fourth of the balance of profits so ascertained, shall be divided to the stockholders, in cash, in proportion to the amount of stock held by them respectively.

Third—The fund represented by the said scrip shall be applicable to its entire extent, if necessary, for all losses and expenses exceeding the earned premiums of any year, each later annual issue of scrip to be first reduced, or wholly cancelled, before any previous annual issue is reduced, and all the annual issues to be cancelled before the capital of the Company, or any portion thereof, shall be applicable to such losses, and the Board of Directors shall have full power to apply said fund, and cancel said scrip, for the purposes, and in the succession aforesaid, as the exigencies of the Company may require.

Fourth.—The scrip shall be redeemable as follows: Whenever the fund represented by said scrip shall exceed Five Hundred Thousand Dollars, the Board of Directors shall thereupon apply the excess of said fund annually towards the redemption of such scrip, commencing with the earliest in date. Notice of the redemption of the scrip shall be given for ten days in two daily newspapers, published in the city of New York, and no interest shall be payable on such scrip after the time mentioned in said notice for the redemption thereof.

Fifth.—By holders of policies, is intended not only the party in whose name the policy is issued, but also the party to whom the same is assigned, or to whom the loss is made payable, and the scrip, for the amount to which the premium paid entitles the holder, may be issued to either, at the option of the Company.

Sixth.—All amounts, the scrip for which shall not be taken within two years of the time the same shall be declared, shall be forfeited, and become the property of the stockholders.

OFFICE, No. 31 PINE STREET,

(Great Western Buildings, N. Y.)

J. Ross. Snowden.

No. 266 South Street.

AMOUNT INSURED,.....\$ 4,000

PREMIUM,\$ 11.52

EXPIRES, 3^d day of February 1860.

REGISTER.

Bowne & Co., Printers, 150 Pearl Street, near Wall Street.

18. Trinity Building.

H. RAYMENT,

Optical & Mathematical Instrument Maker,

8, Eastern Row, Tower Hill, (E.C.)

London, 4 February 1860

Sir

I have enclosed Receipt-
for 19/17/8 for which I am
greatly obliged Mr Laid
sends his compliments —
and he had not obtained
the Dacic by the time I sent
the apparatus and therefore
kept the other things back
to make one package and
being now very busy will
take the first opportunity
of sending them
Yours Resp^t
H Rayment

From
St Rayment
London

ack. receipt draft
in payment for
apparatus

Dec 27, 1860

No. 8.

Fifty six Bars of Fine Gold
transmitted to the U.S. Mint for Coinage,
in pursuance of the Act of March 1855,
by Geo. J. Bisco, Treasurer of the U.S.
Assay Office, New York.

1860.

Feb. 3. Three Boxes #103 containing

Nos. 255 @ 310. weighing

gr. dec.	Stand. gr.
7844.02 @ 990 $\frac{1}{2}$	= 8632.780
3882.46 @ 991	4275.020
<u>11726.48</u>	<u>12907.800</u>

Value \$240,145.12

1.200.73

Net Value \$238,944.39

~~.09 992 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1.84 Gr. 2701. 183~~

238,944.39

12907.800
0.99
12907.899

No 8.

Received Feb 4/60

Gola,

Nett value 8138.946.37

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, February 3^d 1860.

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination
^{after the close of business}
made at the Mint, on the 31st ult^o.

To
Sec Treasury

Monthly Count
and Examination
2 Letters
Feb 1, 1860

February 1860

February 1. 0.

Sir,

The usual monthly count and examination made at the Mint at the close of business on the 31st ult. exhibited the following balances in the hands of the Treasurer of the Mint viz.

In gold coins	\$ 74,012.85
In silver coins	35,749.59
In cent coins	45.11
In ordinary fund	36,644.01
San Francisco Br. Mint fund	421.50
	<u>\$146,873.06</u>

Agreeing with the balances as stated upon his books of account.

An examination into the condition of the Mint generally gave satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with care and fidelity.

Yours respectfully,

Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington City.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
James G. Thompson.
Director of the Mint

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such comment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

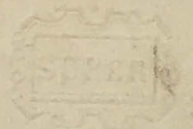
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Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

Sam L
M Geo Cranford
Clintonville
~~Cranford~~
Venango Co Pa

Sample mineral
Pyrite

Feb 3. 1860.—



Esq^r J. H. Swenden

Jan^y 26th 1860

Dr Sir

There is a great Excitement
now got up in this Country about Minerals and myself
among the number I got a Specimen of Gold I think I will
Enclose a Specimen to you and wish you to test it and send me
an Answer if you please The Favours will not be forgotten write to
me let it be good or Bad

Yours Respectfully

Wm Crawford

Feb. 3. 1860.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of the 20th ult^o and have examined the specimen enclosed. It is a compound of sulphur and iron, and is generally known as Pyrites. It is very common and has no value.

I am very truly your friend
and ob^t servant,

James R. McQuinn,
Director of the U.S. Mint.

W. George Crawford.

Clintonville.

Venango Co. Pa.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York, February 3rd 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of
Three boxes fine gold bars, transmitted this day
by the Adams Express Co. of the net value of
\$ 238,944.39 for which I will thank you
to remit double eagles in payment.

As the Gross weight of invoice No 7. returned
by you, specifies that of the Motta & Refiner here,
I have to request that you will add the 9-100^{ths}
to it, as it would appear that he is entitled to
the full amount of credit for his delivery.
The addition will stand thus,

$\begin{array}{r} \text{Gr} \\ .09 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} \text{St.} \\ .099 \end{array} = \$ 1.84 - .01 = \$ 1.83 \text{ net}$

J. H. Walton Esq
Treas^r U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Very Respectfully
Wm. J. Geo
Treasurer

Heav. Array off

N. York

Feb. 3/60

ORIGINAL.

No. *8*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

Three boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *238,944.39*)

Two hundred & thirty eight thousand,

nine hundred & forty four $\frac{39}{100}$ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, *July 3* 18*60*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

Thos. Hoey

Chief Corners Office
Feby 2nd 1860

To Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden
Director -

The formal Statement of wages of this department for the year ending 31 Dec^r 1859 is herewith submitted. The ascertainment of the value of the Sweep delayed its earlier presentation.

The usual return exhibiting the number of days, and the cause of absence of workmen for the month of January is also enclosed - Since the return was made out John Leatherman has been absent two days, he came on Tuesday the last day of the month, quite intoxicated, or beside himself from the effects of liquor, and entirely unfit for work. This has occurred so repeatedly in his case before notwithstanding all advice or caution, that I feel it necessary to formally call your attention to the matter -

I enclose a draft of dimensions of Roll to replace the one which was broken in the early part of the past month and would request that the order to Mr Parry for the Roll be forwarded as early as convenient

Respy

Geo F Phillips
Chief Corners

Monthly Report
Chief Comr
U. S. Mint
~~Dec~~
January 1860

Return of absence lateness and overtime in Chief Engineer's Department for January 1867

Names	Sickness	Private Business	No Excuse Tendered			
Rowan.	30-					
Oelaney -	10-					
Forman -	20-					
Gunn -	20					
McGilligan -	20					
Mulholland		3				
Hackett			5			
Guy			1			
Lawrence	260.	absent in consequence of a wound rec ^d in the mint.				
Mullen	110					
Strombeck	120-					
	<u>590</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>60</u>	Total 68 days absence		

Overtime

Yeager -	30 h.
Kensil -	28 h.
Long.	24 h.
Mouille	28 h.
Lawrence	28 h.
Bunker	28 h.
Hoe	28 h.
McGinnis	35 h.
Slaw	30 h.
Hutchinson	6 h.
O'Donald	35 h.
Thompson Thos	2 h.
Hibbs	2 h.
Hall	28 h.
Van Osten	3 h.
Huston	3 h.

Feb. 2. 60.

Dear Sir,

For the reasons set forth in your report to me to-day I have to request you to inform John Leathman that his services as a workman in the Mint will no longer be required.

I am very respectfully
Yours &c. &c. &c.
James R. Adams,
Director of the Mint.

Geo. H. Childs Esq.
Chief Clerk
U. S. Mint.

To. Chief Clerk
U. S. Court

Discharge of
John Leatherman

Feb. 2. 1860

No. 7.

Bars of Fine Gold
transmitted to the U.S. Mine for Coinage,
in pursuance of the Act of March 1855, by
Mr. J. Cisco, Treasurer of the U.S. Assay
Office, New York.

1860.

February 1. One Box #1. containing

Nos. 230@243 weighing ^{gr. dec.} 3579.41 @ 992 $\frac{3}{4}$

Stand. gr. 3947.294 = \$ 73438.03
Deduct for Coinage, 367.19

Net Value, \$73,070.84

No. 7

Received Feb 2/60

Gola.

Nett Value \$ 73.070.84

Exm 50

H. W. W. W. W.

Pitts

PA

parcel of base
metal sent for
return. - returned
for use in state U

Feb 2. 1870

Gettysville Jan 30th 1860

Director of the U. S. Mint Philadelphia

Dear Sir

I held a treat with a friend
that melted pewter will not melt gold to
test it I put half a sovereign into a little more
than half ounce of melted pewter which mixed
with it I then poured Nitric Acid upon it which
reduced it to what you find enclosed, by
ascribing its value will oblige

Yours Truly

Wm. Windover

— 11 —

Feb 2, 0

Sir,

The parcel of metal enclosed in your
letter of the 30th ult. (received yesterday) is the
same to be received at the time of the same. It
should be placed to empty with your account.
The parcel is herewith enclosed. Very Respectfully,
S. R. Richardson.

Director of the Bank

H. Minsor Esq.
Pewee,
Pa.

and for same

Form 23 A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

2-16156

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, *Let 2*, 1860

Dear Sir,

The specimen enclosed in
your letter of the 26th inst is a compound
of sulphur + iron, known as "Pyrites" very
common and ~~poor~~ of no value.

To
Mr Howell Cobb
Sec Treasury

Enclosing monthly
Statement

Feb 2, 1860

Feb 2. .

Sir,

Enclosed please find statement of
expenses & things at the altar during the month
ending 31st Feb.

I have the honor to be,
With great respect,
Your faithful servant,
Saml Rogers
Director of the Church.

Wm. Halliwell
Secretary of the Church,
London City.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

List here all paper, including overdue paper, called for by this schedule. State briefly in each case the reason for the classification, and such comment as may be deemed appropriate. Give maturity dates of "bad debts" and other overdue paper subject to classification.

[illegible]

Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

New York Feb. 1. 1860

A. R. Snowden Esq.

Dear Sir

I have recd two
Copies of the Annual Report,
I wd be glad to have two
others, for the use of the
Chambers of Commerce.

Your printer has done
you gross injustice, in various
parts of yr. Report: especially
Table 7. (General Commerce)
in which there are no less
than nine errors. I have
not examined any others;
but in re-arranging, for
publication, the "Summary Exhibit",
I find the page all upside
down: apparently printed without proof
reading.

Yours with great respect,
D. A. Thomas.

Wm J. S. Adams Esq
New York

Act. Recpt Annual
Report

Feb 2, 1870.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

July 1. 1860

Sir

I have transmitted by the Adams Express Co. receipt & invoice herewith enclosed,
One box fine gold bars of the net value of
\$73,040.84 for which I will thank you to
emit double eagles.

A slight discrepancy existing between
the balances in this office, I will thank you
to note if the gross weight given corresponds
with yours.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. C. Esq.
Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 1/60

ORIGINAL.

No. *7*

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

On

boxes, containing

Sold

Bullion, of the net value of (\$ *73,070.84*)

Seventy three thousand, and

Seventy

84
100 Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York,

July 1 18*60*

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

John Hoey

Hq Rg to the S.
Washington Feb 17 1860

My dear Sir,

Several gentlemen
members of Congress have
asked me how speci-
mens of the new coinage
of the fifty cents, or
half dollar piece, can
be obtained, and where
will you have
the goodness to inform
me. It is good enough
also to send me,
if printed, half a
dozen copies of your
last Annual Report
as Director of the Mint.
I have been written to
for it. ^{my friend} Thomas B. Florence

Wm L.

Am. A. B. Florence

House Reps.

Washington City

Annual Report
Specimen Book
donors

Feb 4, 1860

My dear Sir,

As in response to your request
letter respecting the trial pieces at the Court
I send you enclosed a copy of a circular
I have issued on the subject. These will
be the new conveyance of the half dollar as
you appear. The pieces that are given
out were only trial on the former
pieces.

I have printed one a few hundred
copies of my circular report: and I find
they are going out very rapidly: as
evidenced however I send you two
or three copies.

I am with great regards

Yours very truly
James P. Henderson.

Hon. ^{to}
The P. B. Henderson, Secy of the U. S. Mts.
Mining Rep. Dist. No. 4. 1860.
Washington City

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/FEBRUARY

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860 / FEBRUARY (CONT.)

James C. Pook Esq
Melter & Refiner

+
Jacob R. Eckfeldt }
Assayer

U. S. Mint

Instructions in relation
to the making ^{Examination} of
ores and minerals
~~assays~~
Assays of bullion
not intended for Comings

Feb 29. 1860

Special File
"Instructions"

Mint of the United States.
Phil^a. Feb. 29, 1860.

Dear Sir,

I have deemed it proper to make the following regulations respecting the examination of ores and minerals at the Mint, and of assays made by bullion not intended for coinage.

1. All applications for making an analysis or examination of ores, minerals, &c. will be made to the Director of the Mint.
2. When such analysis or examination is permitted to be made, the result of the same will be reported to the Director.
3. Whenever bullion not intended for coinage is assayed, as is permitted by the act of Aug. 19th 1828, a report of the same will be made to the Director.
4. A record of these reports will be ^{made and} kept by the Director's Clerk, and be open for the use and examination of any of the officers of the Mint.

These regulations will take effect on the 1st prox.

James C. Booth Esq.
Mell & Reprin. & Co. Minn.

Yours Respectfully
James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

Total,

- 9a. When trust funds are deposited in other banks are they placed therein as individual deposits in the name of the bank as trustee?
If not, did you instruct bank?
10. Does bank receive in the trust department deposits of current funds subject to check or the deposit of checks, drafts, etc., for collection or exchange purposes?
11. Are all investments of trust funds authorized or approved by the directors or a committee of same especially designated for that purpose?
12. Is opinion of competent counsel obtained and filed in all important matters pertaining to trusts, both individual and corporate?
13. Where trust instruments specify character of investments, are investments made in accordance with such provisions?
14. Where trust instruments expressly leave investments to discretion of bank or its officers or directors, in what manner are investments authorized or approved, and in what manner is such authority or approval recorded?
15. Where trust instruments neither specify nor expressly leave the character of investments to the bank, its officers, directors, etc., are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
16. Where trusts are under court order, are investments made strictly in accordance with the terms thereof?
17. Where court has by general order left investments to discretion of bank, or if in such cases general discretion is permitted by the laws of the State, are investments confined to securities in which fiduciaries in the State may lawfully invest?
18. Have any trust funds been loaned to any officer, director, or employee of the bank?
19. Are trust funds invested in securities or concerns in which officers, directors, or employees are interested? If so, list in detail.
20. Has the trust department, in any case, purchased from the banking department any of its assets as investments for trust funds, or has the trust department sold to the banking department any trust assets? If so, give full information and details.
21. Give date when audit or examination of trust department books and securities was made by or for the directors?
22. Did you make a thorough examination of this department, auditing the trusts and verifying the securities?
23. List criticisms, if any.

Return of absence, lateness, & overtime of workmen in
 Courier department for the month
 of February 1860 -

Names	Sickness	Employed at assay office New York	No excuse rendered			
Kensil	30					
Mullen	20					
Delaney	10					
Forman	240					
Gunnis	10					
Kelly	10					
McGilligan	40					
Mulholland			20			
Wigmore	30					
Tompkins		100				
Tawes	40					
Huston	80					
	<u>510</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>20</u>	= 63 days absence		

Overtime

	Hours
Yeager	59
Britton	14
Kensil	30
Long	8
Mouille	35
Burkora	2
Lawrence Geo	61
Batchelor	5
Burker	58
Kansell	26
Jackson	21
Wroe	56
Mitchell	2
Bowen	9
Nicbbs	3
Shaffer	4
McGann	5
Prenot	5
Lawrence H	8
Magnus	38
Slaw	38
Carregan	2
Hutchinson	2
O'Donald	38
Thompson	27
Calhoun	27
Stall	56
Lincoln	<u>30</u>

Deductions for absence &c

Kensil	3h
Mullen	2h
Delaney	1h
Forman	120
Gunnis	1h
Kelly	1h
McGilligan	4h
Mulholland	20
Wigmore	3h
Tawes	4h
Tompkins	100
Huston	8h
	<u>260 7h</u>

66 Day, 4h - of this about 16 days is for other work than overtime on Gold.



Chief Engineer's Office

Feb'y 29th 1860.

To Hon^{ble} J Ross Snowden
Director.

I enclose the monthly
return of absence lateness + overtime
together with a statement of time deducted
for absence of workmen in this depart-
ment for the month just closed

Your prompt dismissal of John
Leatherman for insobriety upon com-
plaint made in the early part of the
Month produced a marked improve-
ment in the habit of several other
workmen, and to re-instate him would
in my opinion weaken the effect of
the example made.

The foreman of the Coining Room
has suggested that the work of his
department would be materially facili-
tated if he had a lap for leveling his
dies. The hardened dies are at present

reduced with difficulty by a file
and not so evenly ground down as
they might be with the lap, and much
less time would be consumed in leveling
than is now required. The Cost of
a lap of the proper kind I think
would not exceed \$250; but I have
made inquiry upon this point and
will inform you more fully of the
Cost hereafter

Respectfully

Geo T Cheas
Chief Engineer

Repeat the flower
for
February
1860

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia,

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To.
Sec Treasury

2. Letter

Monthly count and
examination.

Feb 29. 1860

February 29. 0.

The undersigned, in compliance with the resolution made at the close of his last year, has the pleasure to announce in the hands of the Treasurer of the Ministry

to the Treasury	\$21,989.20
to the Treasury	35,004.73
to the Treasury	4,135.07
to the Treasury	25,892.77
to the Treasury	421.52

\$87,447.29

Comparing with the balance as stated upon his last year's account.

The examination of the same time with the conclusion of the Ministry generally, gives satisfactory evidence that the business of the institution is conducted with care and fidelity.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Your faithful servant,

James R. P. Mendenhall.

Director of the Ministry.

Mr. Anna Cobb,
Secretary of the Ministry,
Washington City.

February 27. 0.

Sir,

In response to the instruction of the act of 6th of August 1876, and the regulations of the Department, I made at the close of January last, an examination of the books, account and money on hand in the office of the Asst. Treasurer of the U. S. at Washington, and found the following balances on said account:

General Treasury	\$149,006.73
Post Office Office	254,451.95
U. S. House	27,990.49
Comptroller	25,935.00
Assistant Treas.	117,604.10
	\$474,988.18

Agreeing with the balance as shown on the books of the account.

Very truly yours,
Wm. Pittenger

Samuel R. Richardson
Master of the U. S. Bank

Attest: Wm. Pittenger
Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

NAME	PAR VALUE	MARKET VALUE
Total,		

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23. List criticisms, if any.

Mint of the United States,
MELTING & REFINING DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, 29. Feb. 1860

Dear Sir,

The number of hands in my Dept^t is at present 53, who are distributed as follows:

	<u>Gold & Silver</u>			<u>Cent Manufacture</u>		
	Melters,	Helpers,	Others	Melters,	Helpers	Others
Deposite	3	2		15	19	
Bullion	2	2				
Refining & Cleaning			2			2
Sweep washing			2			
Watchmen			2			
Office			1			1
	5	4	7	15	19	3
	16			37		

In consequence of the great influx of Gold bars from the N.Y. Assay Office, the bullion melters have been chiefly engaged in bullion melting, but when not thus occupied they are transferred to the Cent room.

There have been no absences among those in the Bullion Dept^t. Two have been absent from sickness in the Cent Dept^t nearly through the whole month.

From J. W. Dork E.
M + R

Report for month
of February 1866

Mint of the United States.
Phila^a. Feb. 29. 1860.

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3. A record of these reports will be kept by the Director's Clerk, and be open for the use, examination, or reference, of any of the officers of the Mint.

These regulations will take effect on the 1st prox^o.

Respectfully Yours.

James Ross Snowden,
Director of the Mint.

James C. Booth Esq^r,
Mellin & Rymer,
U. S. Mint.

U. S. Mint

Feby 29, 1869

Regulation respecting
the Examination
of Ores and Minerals
at the U. S. Mint.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 28 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$150000. in Gold Coins in ac of inv
No 17.

Very Respectfully

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

J. A. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Feb 28/60

John H. Co. & Co.

ack of \$150,000.

Mint of the United States

Philad.^a Feb. 28. 1860

Dear Sir

In the rule to which you refer, I perceive to my own regret, that I have inadvertently overlooked the provision on which you remark; and sincerely thank you for reminding me; as it has ever been not only my desire, but my intention carefully to observe the regulations affecting my department. I will see to it from hence.

I have at the same time to apologize for a delay in handing in the annual report I have been in the habit of making of the operations of my department. I was anxious to report at the same time, the entire destruction of cancelled dies, which has not yet been completed.

In the absence of regular monthly reports allow me to say, that for the year past I have to report favourably of the capacity and

fidelity of all the persons employed in my
department.

Very Respectfully

James B. Longacre
Engr.

J. R. Snowden Esq.
Director

Now

J. P. Longacre &
Engraver U. S. Mint

Apocryphic for

non observance
of 21st regulation

Feb 28, 1860

Return of Wastage
in
Chief Courier's Department,
for
January & February
1860

Wastage in the Chief Coiner's Department of the Mint of the United States.

DATE of WORKING.	DESCRIPTION.	INGOTS.		WASTAGE.										TOTAL		RATE IN THOUS'S.
				ROLLING and ANNEALING.	CUTTING and WASHING.	ADJUSTING, ASSORTING and MILLING.	CLEANING.		COINING.		WASTAGE.					
		oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.	oz.	dec.			
Gold																
January 6	Double Eagle Specimen Coin	9179	45	007		066		026		019		000		060		
" 9	Dble Eagle	8275	45	073		006		006		016		000		069		
" 11	" "	7406	60	005		022		016		015		000		058		
" 13	" "	14569	80	001		035		021		031		000		088		
" 16	" "	6288	25	018		013		005		012		000		012		
" 18	" "	3118	95	004		023		003		006		000		030		
" 19	" "	7805	40	010		006		017		016		000		037		
" 20	" "	7358	90	039		002		033		015		000		089		
" 23	Eagle	3200	95	004		021		002		006		000		025		
" 24	Dble Eagle	8695	15	004		013		030		018		000		065		
" 25	" "	5465	70	013		000		023		011		000		021		
" "	Half "	2479	00	003		002		030		005		000		040		
" "	Three Dollar	2273	45	000		000		022		008		000		030		
" 26	Dble Eagle	2402	45	001		015		011		005		000		000		
" 27	" "	3160	40	002		007		041		006		000		046		
" 28	" "	4821	85	015		036		002		010		000		029		
" 30	" "	2329	35	005		003		009		004		000		021		
February 2	" "	4872	20	012		008		002		010		000		016		
" 3	" "	2238	15	001		010		004		004		000		017		
" 6	" "	12621	50	040		020		039		024		000		083		
" 7	" "	11907	30	052		059		032		024		000		033		
" 8	" "	5458	95	014		007		011		011		000		043		
" 10	" "	19969	25	038		007		043		042		000		130		
" 13	" "	7911	55	019		018		028		016		000		081		
" 15	" "	14962	55	027		014		023		030		000		040		
" 16	" "	10571	95	034		000		023		021		000		010		
" 17	" "	17168	55	054		035		064		036		000		071		
" 20	" "	7049	45	026		002		021		015		000		008		
" 21	" "	6572	35	012		088		016		013		000		105		
" 24	" "	15015	60	029		077		048		031		000		027		
" 27	" "	18801	45	019		058		014		039		000		024		
" 28	" "	10726	60	034		065		012		021		000		066		
		32646	1850											1004		11-0.036
Silver																
January 5 th	2 1/2 Dollar, minor 1/2 dime	31596	700	10300		1300		2000		18930				7930		
" 17 th	Quarter Dollar	24107	400	4150		2100		0300		9000				6650		
" 24 th	2 1/2 Dollar Specimen	214426	300	4450		1360		0400		4900				2210		
Feb 1	Quarter Dollar	7925	600	2000		0500		0050		1400				0150		
" 11 th	Half dime + dime	23062	500	7450		2400		0500		15800				10800		
" 21 st	Dollar + 1/2 dollar	19828	100	4400		0900		0200		4000				0300		
" 27 th	Half Dollar	14505	600	3500		0900		0300		2600				0200		
		14545	2200											27940		11-0.19

South Camber
Feb 27th 1866

Dear Sir

Yours is rec^d I now
enclose Ofr on New York for
\$55 the cost of the Peabody Medals
which you will please forward at
an early day —

I regret to learn that the die
is injured — Are both dies damaged?
If only one, which?

Very Respectfully
Yours —
Hitch Pooley
for School Com^{tee}

L. R. Snowden Esq }
Director M. S. Hunt }
Phila. }

obverse die — will have to be
made new — Raguet will renew
for 60 dollars — The reverse
die is good.

Wm Lof
Tillets Pool } E

South Saucy
Man

Medals Forwarded

Mar 3, 1860

March 3. a

Richd Pove Esq. Chelsea Com. H. South Dams. Mass.
To Medal Fund U. S. Mint

To The Silver "Peabody" Medals 2 @ 2.00 4.00
5 Prizes " " 2 @ 2.00 4.00
Total 8.00

Received Payment
J. B. Woodward.
Director of the Mint.

Dear Sir,

Have been furnished with bill for the medals recently ordered
by you & forwarded to your address today per Adams Express.

Please sign and return to me the enclosed voucher.

It is your obligation that is not in good condition.

A new one will have to be made. If you desire it made
here I can get it done for about \$1.00

Very Respectfully,
J. B. Woodward.
Director of the Mint.

Richd Pove Esq,
Chelsea Com. H. South Dams,
Mass.

New York

July 27. 1861

I of a "George Clinton 1787"
Coin is wanted in the collection of
Coin in the Mint. I have a good
one to offer for it. I shall be
pleased to receive an offer for this
Coin if it is wanted.

Yours Truly

J. R. Terry

Box 207 P. O.

Reply Let 29: "Do not desire
to obtain the coin mentioned."

My
L B Ferry
N.Y.

offers "Ferry"
blat^lcom —
reply do not
want it

Oct 29, 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 26. 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$15,306.85 in
gold and silver coins, for ac of invoices N^o
25 and 32.

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq

Wm J. Wood

Treasurer U.S. Mint

Treasurer

Philadelphia

P.S. Depositors of the gold bullion transmitted to
you on the 9th, 12th, 13th, + 14th, inst. Amounting
to \$850,000. are impatient; an early remittance
of this amount, will be duly appreciated.

Treas. assay Off

New York

Rec^d Feb. 27

26 Feb 1861

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 25th 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$86,346.79
in Gold Coins in payment of invoice No. 16.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

John J. Cisco

Treasurer

Feb 25/60

John J. Cisco
Treas

Recd \$86,346.79.

J. Le Kinsing

Time of making return
to Assay Office N. Y.

Feb 25, 1860

Mint of the United States
Philadelphia: Feb. 24. 1860.

Sir,

In order that you may be informed
of the time that is usually taken to make returns
of Coin for bullion received from the assay office,
I send you the enclosed statement.

I notice ^{that} some statements have elsewhere
been made that it requires three or four
weeks to make returns of coin for bullion
received. It can be seen that three or
four days are only required for that
purpose.

I have the honor
to be, Sir, very respectfully,
Your faithfull servant,
Samuel P. Breckinridge
Director of the Mint.

Hon. Horatio C. C. C.
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

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To
for W Bonman

Rent shell in payment
Bull Copper for Sale

Feb 25, 1860

Feb 24, 60.

Dear Sir,

Herewith I send my check for
Five $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars, in payment of your bill
of November 19, 1859. Adv. "Copper for sale", which
please enclose to me in duplicate duly
receipted.

Very Respectfully & Truly,
Samuel R. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

Gen. & Geo. H. Bowman,
Office of the Constitution,
Washington City.

Philadelphia, February 25th 1860.

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

23 8 Cases Cent Alloy 2051
" 8 " Ditto do 2074
24 8 " Ditto do 2041
" 4 " Ditto do 1761
4927th

containing 951.24th Nickel @ \$1.50 1426 86

" 6975.76" Copper @ 23¹/₂cs 1639 30

10 per cent for making alloy as per agreement 3066 16
30662 3372 78

Or

Buy 6 Cases Copper

(52)

\$12100 1121 1055 815 1000 1530 4119.2th @ 23¹/₂ 1460 62

Washington 25. July 1860

Dear Sir,

A friend of mine wishes me
to ascertain from you whether the Govern-
ment has, under your control, or any one else
at Philadelphia a machine for cutting dies?

Be so good as to inform me of your earliest conveni-
ence

Yours truly
R. G. Fitt

Col J. A. Snowden

From Mr

Hon R. A. Gilman

Washington City

As to Machine for

Cutting dies

Feb 28, 1860

Mint of the U. States.
Phil: Feb. 28. 1860.

Dear Sir:

In answer to your
note of the 25th inst I have
to state that we have no
"machine for cutting dies";
in the Mint. Neither do I
know of such a machine
in this City.

The "portrait lathe" affords
some assistance in the prepara-
tion of dies; but they require
the eye and hand of the
artist to prepare them for
the operation of Coining.

I am very truly
Yours.

Samuel R. Howdell;
Asst. Dir. of the Mint.
Washington City.

Treasury Department
Feb: 25. 1866

Sir

The enclosed letter is
submitted for your consideration - Be pleased
to let the Department have your views on the
subject to which it relates.

I am very Resp^d
Yours truly
Sec of the Treasury

J. Robt Snowden &
Director of the Mint
Philad^a

From No
See Treasury

from A. Urney
Communication on subject
of increase in price paid
for silver bullion
Express my views
on the subject.

Feb 28. 1860

New York 23 Feb. 1860
Hon: Howell Cobb
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington

Esteemed Sir

It is respectfully submitted to you that lately Silver has greatly appreciated in value, that Mexican Dollars have risen $1\frac{1}{4}$ per ounce or $2\frac{1}{2}$ cents per ounce, that the supply of Gold is daily increasing, whilst large shipments of Silver in Dollars and Bullion are constantly effected from England to the East Indies and from the Port of St. Francisco to China. It is further submitted to your attention that there exists now no large accumulation of American Silver coin, as the present rate of 1.21 per ounce is insufficient to obtain bullion and the existing Dollars or parts of it in Silver U.S. coin are generally circulating amongst the people at large.

According to the views of the eminent Russian finance minister Cancrin there is nothing more advantageous to an agricultural country of vast dimensions and large territory than a liberal circulation of silver coin, by a natural instinct to men it sticks to the hand which clasp it, it is a principle in political economy, that the populations, which purchase their wants in silver coin, are amongst the most economical and frugal of the world.

The undersigned satisfied that you will fully appreciate the advantage of a large silver circulation to his country respectfully begs that the value of silver is raised to $1\frac{1}{2}$ per ounce again after 1 March.

The present value of Mexican Dollars in the market of $\frac{1}{2}$ % premium at New Orleans $1\frac{1}{4}$ % prem. here will prevent any hoovers of silver

bullion from depositing any silver for the present
there may be a change however towards autumn,
particular at New Orleans, and deposits to an
extent of one million of Dollars might be made for
the next 12 months to come, - but probably only one
half of said sum.

I remain Sir with the highest regard
Yours most obt. servt.

A the case of the American for cents, the
billion dollars, and other holders. make
from 8 to 10 for each 6 expences on the
Spanish and Mexican Coins, and hence
can afford to sell the cents, which they
receive, at a discount. the making
for Spain bullion in Spain coins a million
worth may be introduced; and thus a
billion of Spain coins be known in
circulation.

It seems to be a considerable
demand for small Spain coins, especially
dimes and half dimes, and I would be
glad if we had a few hundred thou-
sand dollars worth of Spain bullion,
but I do not think it prudent at
present to recommend an increase
in the price. I will keep my
attention directed to this subject and
be guided by circumstances, as they
and facts on Spain, coins, and circulation
with you in relation to it. In the mean
time I would be glad to hear from you

- Feb. 28. 0.

Sir,

I have received your favor of the 25th inst. enclosing a communication respecting the great price of silver and asking my views on the subject.

I do not think it is advisable at present to increase the price of silver, although it may be calculated to do so hereafter. The present price was fixed for the purpose of appreciating the silver coin of the U.S. and it has had the effect intended. ~~Although~~ we have issued upwards of 42 millions of dollars since the passage of the act of Feb. 25. 1853. In view of the large amount of silver in circulation and the fact that there is a general and very decided call for more silver coin, beyond what is needed for the price. It may not be in the interest of the public to increase the price of silver, but the interest of the public and which always coincides with

Washington D.C. Feb 25th 1860

To the Sup^t U.S. Mint Phila^a
Dear Sir

Can you
sell me \$20 worth of Pki's Peak
gold dust. I would like to have
three or four varieties of say \$5
each. It would oblige me very
much and if you can do so please
answer by return mail and I
will send for it by express.
I am interested in that County
and wish to see specimens of
the gold from the different mines
Yours Respectfully
Jm H. Winsman

P.S. If you have not as many varieties
as I mention on hand please in-
form me if you have any of it
to spare
W.H.W.

Feb 28, 0.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst.

As the Mint does not in any case exchange bullion for coin, I cannot furnish you with the specimens of "Gold Bars" so requested.

Very Respectfully,
Samuel R. Anderson
Director of the Mint

Wm. H. Newman Esq.,
Washington City.
D. C.

Tom Do

Wm A. Kinsman
Washington
D.C.

As to specimens of
Pike Peak gold

Feb 28, 1860

* Include in "bad debts" only those bad debts of the State.

SLOW AND DOUBTFUL PAPER AND LOSSES ON LOANS

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Use Form 1425-R for continuation of list.

Feb. 25. 0.

Dear Sir,

I have to call your
attention to the 21st rule for the
government of the Hunt, and to ex-
press my regret that I have not
received from you the monthly
reports which that rule requires.

I am, very respectfully,
Yours obt. servant,
James R. Thompson.
Director of the Hunt.

J. B. Thompson Esq
Esq.
A. S. Hunt.

Feb. 25. 0.

Dear Sir,

In last month's reports
and made by you I have to call
your attention to the 21st ^{paragraph} rule, from
the Government of the Mint, and to
say that I cannot permit this rule
to be ignored. Hereafter I hope it
will put your Commissions to comply
with this regulation.

Yours truly,
James A. Anderson.
Director of the Mint.

James A. Anderson Esq.
Treasury of the Mint.

Mint of the U. States.
Phila. Feb. 25. 1860.

Friend Sir,

It is with great regret that I
am compelled to notice the frequent
omissions on your part to make the
monthly reports required by the 21st
Act ^{by Congress} for the government of the Mint.
at Congress' request this note to be thus
sent and, and hereafter I trust I
will trust your Commissions to comply
with it.

I am very respectfully
Yours ob^t servant,
James A. B. Anderson,
Director of the Mint.

James C. Booth Esq
Mills & Phipps.
U. S. Mint.

* Include in "bad debts" only those bonds which have reached actual maturity dates, and otherwise come within the definition of a statutory bad debt.

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Timothy

John T. Sherry & Co.

Barr Parnock

Baltimore

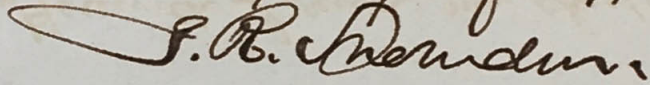
Remit check in payment
of Rent Upper Sta

Feb 25, 1860.

Feb. 24. 60.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I send my check
for Eight Dollars in payment of your
bill of Nov. 18. 1859 "Adv. copper for sale".
which please enclose to me in duplicate
duly receipted.

Very Respectfully,

F. B. Woodward,
Director of the Mint.

Me per John T. Sharrett Esq.
Office Baltimore Patriot.
Baltimore,
Md.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia Feby 24 1860

To the Director of the Mint.

The following is my report of assays of the cent ingots, for the month of January.

			Percent of Nickel				Percent of nickel
Jan 5	12 melts, mint		12.2	Jan 24	14 melts, mint		12.2
7	31 boxes, Kensa		12.7	25	25 " "		12.3
9	22 melts, mint		12.0	26	25 " "		12.3
10	12 " "		12.3	27	24 " "		12.3
11	20 " "		12.3	28	24 " "		12.3
13	34 " "		12.2	"	34 boxes, Kensa		12.4
14	20 " "		12.1	30	24 melts, mint		12.3
"	21 boxes, Kensa		12.3	31	11 " "		12.1
17	47 melts, mint		12.2	The melts are nos 1 to 442.			
18	28 " "		12.3				
19	27 " "		12.2				
20	27 " "		12.2				
21	24 " "		12.4				
"	27 boxes, Kensa		12.4				
23	22 melts, mint		12.3				

J. R. Eckfelder
Assayer

(over)

Assayer's Office,
February 24. 1860.

Hon. J. R. Snowden

Director &c. &c.

Sir

Agreeably to regulations
I have to report a proper attention to duty, on
the part of persons employed in this department
of the Mint, during the month of January.

Very resp
your obt. serv.
J. H. Eckfeldt
Assayer.

Monthly
Report, Assayer
Jan 1860

East Weymouth. Mass.
Feb. 24th 1860.

Col. Snowden,

Director of the U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia. My Dear Sir.

I wish to inquire whether it is possible for me to procure one hundred silver dollars from the Mint. Whether if I send to the mint a hundred dollars in silver - I can have the same coined into silver dollars.

Will you have the kindness to inform me on this subject - and if it can be done - I will willingly go to the expense.

Respectfully Yours -

N. Quincy Turrell

We are constantly doing this - it will be observed that he will not get so much by count, in whole dollars, they being coined at the rate of 116.36 cents to the ounce; while we pay 121 cents in smaller coins.

Jm L

Dr N. Quincy Smith
East Weymouth
Mass,

As to depositing Silver
for exchange into Silver
dollars.

Feb 28, 1860

for money and in the latter 121 to the
owner.

My Father's name
James W. Thompson
and also of the same

A. Henry Thomas M.D.
Leah Thompson
M.D.

February 25. 0.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 24th inst.

The act of March 3^d 1858, reducing
the weight of the half dollar and its substitu-
ting, will not affect the weight of the silver
pieces already in circulation. By the act
referred to the weight of the half dollar was
reduced to 112 grains. I say as two half
dollars, which are equal in ~~nominal~~ value
to a silver dollar, do not weigh by 23¹/₂ grains
as much as the latter, it will be claimed
that if you have your silver coined into
dollars you will not get as much for it by
weight as if you send it to the mint at
121 cents per ounce (the present purchasing
power) and previous payment in silver
coins of less denomination than the
dollar or in other words if you would receive
in the former case at the rate of 116.36 cents

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 24. 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of Six boxes gold bars of the net value of \$285,148.62 for which please remit double eagles

Very Respectfully

J H Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

Feb 24/60

John L C is co
Tus

Invoice \$285.178.62.

Original.

No. 18

New York,

July 24 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia

Six boxes of Gold bullion,
of the net value of Two hundred & eighty five
Thousand, One hundred & thirty eight ⁶² Dollars.

\$285,138.62

John Hoey

For the Adams Express Company.

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Feb 24, 1860.

Dear Sir,

Herewith I send my
~~draft~~ check

~~Herewith~~ I Enclosed check for Five ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

dollars (\$5.50) in payment of bill of Nov. 19, 1859, adv. "copper for
sale". ~~herewith returned for~~ ^{enclosed} Please receipt and return
to me the bill ~~herewith transmitted~~ as a necessary
voucher.

To
Mr. & Raymont
London

Requesting Receipt for
Bill of Exchange
Sent on 5th of ~~Jan~~ ^{Feb} 1860.

Feb. 23, 1860.

Feb 20. 60

Dear Sir

On the 5th ult^o I received
by you Bill of exchange, on payment
of the account rendered by you, for the
fee apparatus furnished that branch
Mint at New Orleans, and request
you to send me a receipt for the
amount. Not having heard from
you on the subject I am induced
to ask whether my letter enclosing
the Bill of exchange was received
by you. It has been paid,
please send me a receipt for the
same, as my necessary books.

Very Respectfully,

James R. Rowden,
Director of the Mint.

Mr H. Raymond,
208 Poole's Row, New Mill
London

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 23 1860

Sir

I herewith enclose receipt and invoice of four boxes fine gold bars of the net value of \$201,512.39 for which please remit double eagles.

I will thank you to note if any discrepancy exists in the gross weight according to your balances.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Watson Esq
Inspector U. S. Mint
Philad. U. S. C.

Wm. J. Cisco
Treasurer

July 23/60

J. M. Co. Treas

Invoice of Gold Bullion

\$201,512. ³⁹/₁₀₀

Original.

No. 17

New York, Feb 23 1860

Received from the Treasurer of the U. S. Assay Office, for
transportation and delivery to the Treasurer of the U. S. Mint at
Philadelphia Four boxes of Gold bullion,

of the net value of Two hundred & one thousand
five hundred & twelve $\frac{39}{100}$ Dollars.

\$ 201,512.39

John Hovey
For the Adams Express Company.

Portland, Me. Feb 23^d 1860

J. R. Snowden Esq

Sir

I have a
Washington token same as represented
figure 26 in Harper for March -
if you have not got it and
would like mine please let
me know

Truly yours

S. A. Whittier

Feb 28. 1860 Director
writes that he has 2 or
more copies of Washington
Token & therefore does not
require them at present.

J.
Mrs. A. Whittier
Portland
Maine

Washington Mead

Feb 28, 1860

United States Assay Office,

New York, - Feb. 23, 1856.

Dear Sir,

Mr. S. F. Ambler,
of Elizabethport, N. J., professes
to have some process for
extracting gold & silver from
sweeps more economical than
smelting. He proposes to
compete with the Smelters in
the purchase of sweeps, &
has requested me to present
his name to you. Whenever
you may have sweeps for
sale he would like to
be notified. He is a very
intelligent man, & seems to
know what he is about.

A friend of mine in this
city is exceedingly desirous
to obtain some of the pattern

pieces struck from time to time at the Mint. I know how you are annoyed by such applications, & would not make the request for myself. If you can spare me a few specimens, (as many or as few as you can,) you will not only lay me under obligation but receive the grateful remembrance of the gentlemen for whom I write. - He would like silver or copper & will gladly pay their price.

Mr. Sampson finds more to do than he expected. He will probably return to Phil^a. on Saturday next. It is an injury to our balances to be allowed to get out of order. He ought

to have a person here who
is competent to keep them
in order all the time.

Very respectfully,
your obt. servt.,
Geo. F. Downing.

Wm. J. R. Seward, {
Director of the Mail. }

Mint n. States

Phi: Feb. 28. 1860.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 23rd inst,
is at hand.

I quite place the name
of Mr. S. H. Ambler among the
persons who may be expected to
offer to purchase Mint sweeps;
I am glad to increase the list
of Competitors.

It will not be convenient to
forward you ~~just~~ with the pattern
pieces struck at the Mint. The
applications were so numerous that
I had to cut off the supply.

Very Respectfully,

Yours obt. servant,

E. B. Howard.

Geo. H. Downing Esq
Spec. Off. Ind. Dep.

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From To

Geo. F. Dunning
New York

Name of person who desires
to complete purchase
of maps

Pattem Comd

Oct 28. 1860

Col. J. P. Snowden

Herewith find enclosed
the fac similis of two of the Copper
cents of the U. S. Coinage - should
the prices be worth buying, I am
ready to sell (Provided the value
be an inducement)

Address (with value if necessary)
immediately

Yours Respectfully

C. H. Cole

Plainville

Sam Co -

Feb 23rd / 60

Chas

Mr To

East Glou

Plainsville

Ohio

Upper Cent

of good for
Sole

March 5, 1860

March 8. 0.

Sir,

The cents mentioned in your
letter of the 23rd ult^o are quite common,
and therefore I need not trouble you to
send me them in your collections.

Very respectfully

Yours obt^o servant,

~~Samuel R. Chew~~
Director of the Mint.

Mr. C. H. E. Lolo.

Plainville

Hamilton Co. Ohio.

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 22 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt
of \$ 62,057.29 in full for invoice N^o 15.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

J. J. Cisco

Treasurer

Feb 22/60

J & C is co Eng
Tus

Recd \$62,057.29

U.S. Mint, 22 Feb '60

pm

Dear Sir,

after mint hours to day

I received a letter announcing

the illness, apparently serious,

of my boy in St. Augustine. I

know you would approve of my

leaving for the South at once,

and take the liberty, - being ex-

cessively hurried, - of departing

without first seeing you. For-

tunately

unfortunately there is nothing in my
own special department as the
Minist which renders my leaving
at this time inconvenient

Most sincerely yours

R. Patterson

Hon J. R. Snowden

Director.

From
Robert Patterson Esq
Hearst. Cleveland

Visit to the South
on a sickness
of his child

Feb 28. 1860

FEBRUARY 23RD 1860

Miss G. H. ...
March 29. 1860.

Dear Sir,

I hope the copies of
the ... which you ...
in your ... 21st ...
and ... I need not ...
myself of your kind ...
to ... to me in ...
for ...

The ... for 1860 are ...
yet ... but are now being
prepared, and will be ready to
open in a week or two in all
probability.

I am, very respectfully

Yours ...

James W. ...
Mr. Wm. H. ...
at 53 ...

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia, Feb 21, 1860.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter of the 6th inst.

Without ~~troubling you with~~ ^{going into} details,
I may state that the charge for refining gold, not
partible under ~~the~~ ^{our} rules, is one to three and a half
cents per ounce of gross weight after melting, ac-
cording to the condition of the bullion.

The charge for separating gold
from silver, is one and a half to 5 cents per ounce
gross after melting, according to the proportion of
gold.

A coinage charge of $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent is
imposed on all deposits of gold payable in
coin; and ^{also} on silver deposited ^{for coinage into} silver dollars.

Silver bullion, unless deposited for coinage
into silver dollars, is purchased by the Mint ^{for coinage} at
the ^{purchasing at present being} rate of 121 cents per ounce of standard
fine. ^{Payment for the same is made} ~~and paid for~~ in silver coins of less denom.

From To
Geo A Scherpf &
New York

Charges for
refining bullion &c

Feb 22. 1860

Feb 22. 0.

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
of the 6th inst.

With regard to the charges I may state that
the charges for affixing gold, not furnished under our
rules, are on the order and a half cent per ounce
of pure metal of the meeting. remaining 10th cent
per ounce of the charges.

The charges for separating gold from silver
is on the order and a half to five cents per ounce of the
meeting, according to the proportion of gold.

A coinage charge of 2 per cent is
imposed on all deposits of fine payable in coin;
and also, on silver deposits for coinage into coin
charges.

When bullion is deposited for
coinage into silver dollars, it is purchased by the Mint
for coinage, the purchasing rate at present being 100
cents per ounce of standard silver. Payment for
the same is made in silver coins of like denomination.

than the dollar.

Both gold and silver are paid for
the weight of the deposit when the net product
of the operation amounts to one dollar and up-
wards.

When gold or silver bullion is paid for in
fine bars a charge of 25 cents per 1000 is imposed.

Copper of the description you mention and
containing no other base metal, will be paid for
at the same rate as the silver bullion
by assay paid without any deduction.

The distinction between refining and
separating, must be observed as it is understood
the charges stand under these heads respectively.

Refining refers only to the use of fire for casting
out base metals, and separating to the separating
of gold from silver or the reverse, as in the
deposits.

Respectfully Yours,
James H. Thompson,
Attorney of the United States

Geo. A. Schuyler Esq.,
New York



July 21st 1860

Col J R Snowden

Dear Sir

I have a Bronze
Medal of Washington
Size 26 Phil^a Bust,
"Ge^o Washington Esq General of
the Contin^t Army in
America" rev Cannon
Flag Drum Rays &c - Ins
"Washin reunir par un pare
assemblage, les talens du
guerrier & les vertus du sage"
Have you it or would you
like to exchange, Please
Answer and oblige Yours Truly
J^r K Curtis
9th 1860 Crooks
out yet

John L
D R Curtis
N.Y.

Washington Medal

Let 23. 1860

Washington July 21 1860

Col. A. R. Snowden

My dear Sir

I have just learned in conversation with members friendly to Phil. interests that an application ~~has been~~ is now before the Committee of the H. of R. to give the N.Y. Assay Office the privilege of coinage & I am asked by them to furnish facts so that they may oppose it, in case the Com. should report favorably to the measure & further, they wish to know whether the Sec. of the Treasury would be in favor or opposed to it. I submit to your better judgment whether it would not be well ^{for you} to furnish such facts as you think might be used against it, as soon as conveniently practicable. Please ^{write} me as soon as convenient as I had ^{perhaps} better remain here till I hear from you and receive any directions you may be pleased to give in the matter.

In haste very Resp.

Will send a finance Rep. today?

Yours obt. servt

Wm. D. Griffiths

From

Mr Geo J. Griffiths
Washington City

Application for leave
to be at N.Y.
Assay Office
before the Court
at Washington

Feb 24, 1860.

NEW YORK STATE LIBRARY



Regents of the University of the State of New York
(ex officio)
TRUSTEES OF THE STATE LIBRARY

Albany Feb. 21 1868

Hon. J. Ross Snowden

D. Sir.

Can you accommodate
me with a proof sett of silver coins of 1838?
I should esteem it a great favor if you
can do so.

Respectfully Yours
J. H. Hickcup

Feb 23. 1868

Director replies by stating that having no proof coins 1838
on hand except those in the cabinet of the Mint
he has to express his regret that he cannot
comply with his request.

From No

John N. Hickox Esq

Albany

N.Y.

Proclamation 1838 desired,
none on hand

Feb 23. 1860. -

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

January 21. 1860

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
\$182,811.60 in Gold Coins, and the same has
been duly audited

Very Respectfully,

Wm. J. Cisco

Treasurer

J. H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia

Treas. Assay Off

N. York

Feb. 21/60

Mint of the United States,

Philadelphia February 20. 1860

Hon. J. R. Snowden

Director &c. &c.

Sir

I consider it due to this Institution to inform you, and to place the fact on record, that since the Annual Assay, I have given a more thorough and satisfactory examination of the reserved silver coins at this Mint.

A re-assay of the first granulations confirmed the unfavorable result obtained before the Commissioners.

A mere sight of the bar, however, would convince any one that it was imperfectly melted, and indeed this was said by the melter himself. - I have caused ^{the bar} to be re-melted with care, and repeatedly; and upon assaying fresh granulations, I find the true fineness was 900.6, instead of 898.6.

However mortifying it may be, to stand upon the record two thousandths too low, I have ~~along~~ all along thought that it is not expedient, by repetitions with various results, to impair the confidence of the Commissioners in melting and assaying, especially as the subject is new to most of them.

I forbear to enter into a discussion of the probable reasons, why an imperfect melting should produce such a result. The matter of fact is well known to all who have experience in that business.

Respectfully yours
J. R. Peterson
Assayer

J. R. Eckhardt

J. R. Eckhardt
Assayer
U. S. Mint

Thickness of reserve
Silver coin, 1839 as
ascertained by
repeated assays

Under adjournment
of Assay Commission

Feb 24, 1860

United States Assay Office, Treasurer's Department.

New York,

February 20 1860

Sir

I am in receipt of \$106,065.34 in
gold coins & have audited the same.

I herewith receipt of one box gold bars,
forwarded this day of the net value of
\$86,346.79 for which please remit double eagles.

I will thank you to note if any discrepancies
exist in the sight according to your balances.

Very Respectfully

J. H. Walton Esq

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Wm. J. Dea
Treasurer

183 Empty bags returned.

Trans. assay of

N. York

Feb. 20/60

No. 15

Received from the TREASURER OF THE UNITED STATES

ASSAY OFFICE, NEW YORK,

One boxes, containing

Gold Bullion, of the net value of (\$ 86,346.79)

Eighty six Thousand, three
hundred forty six $\frac{79}{100}$ Dollars,

which we agree to ~~insure~~ against all risks, and deliver to the TREASURER OF
THE UNITED STATES MINT AT PHILADELPHIA.

New York, July 20 1860

For the ADAMS EXPRESS COMPANY,

1 Package Empty bags

John Hoey

ORIGINAL.

Duplicate

Philadelphia, February 18th 1860

Mint of the United States

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

Bought of JOHN M^CDOWELL, JR., & CO.,

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT,

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

ASHMEAD, PR.

15th 8 Cases Cent Alloy 2061th

17 8 " Ditto 2041th

" 7. Ditto 1794th
5896th

Containing 707.52th Nickel @ \$1.50 1061 28

" 5188.48th Copper @ 23¹/₂¢ 121929
228057

10 percent for alloy as per agreement 22806 2508.13

Or

By 4 Cases Copperas

#1214-1200-1246-1685= 5345th @ 23¹/₂¢

125607

Correct

John W Taylor
asw m r

Received Payment

\$1252.56

To: Mr. McDowell Jr & Co

JOHN McDOWELL, JR., & CO.

MANUFACTURING CHEMISTS AND REFINERS OF NICKEL AND COBALT

Office, No. 144 South Fourth Street.

OXIDE OF COBALT.

NICKEL.

COPPERAS.

BLUE VITRIOL.

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WMA

Treasury Department,
Comptrollers Office
February 18th 1860.

James H. Walton Esq
Treasurer U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir: Your a/c of Gold, Silver and
Cent Bullion for the quarter ending 30th Sept '59, has this
day been adjusted at the Treasury per Rep to 136,605.
and a balance found to be in the U. S. Mint on that day,
(which agrees with your summary statement) as follows:-

Gold Bullion	\$188. 465. 30
Silver do	213. 197. 23
Cent do	84. 839. 47
Gold Coins	65. 154. 32
Silver do	127. 709. 59
Cent do	1. 301. 37
Total	<u>\$680. 667. 31</u>

Very Respectfully

Your obt servt

WMAW
Comptroller

Comptroller U.S.
Washington

Jan. 18/60

To
The Sec Treasury

Enclosing copy of
proceedings of
Annual assay
commission.

Feb. 18. 1860.

Minneapolis, Minn. Feb. 15. 1859.

W.D.

The Board of Assay Commissioners of
the State of Minnesota of the United States.
for the year 1859 convened at the Mint on
Monday the 13th inst, and completed their
duties on Wednesday the 15th inst. I
enclose a full copy of their proceedings.
It will be seen that the Commissioners have
unanimously reported that the fineness and weight
of the Coins of the United States are well
maintained, and that the charges
incurred in the transaction of the Mint cor-
respond with the standards heretofore
by law.

I have the honor to be,

With great respect,

Yours faithfully and obediently,

Samuel R. Chas. Chas.
Director of the Mint

Hon. Howell Cobb.

Secretary of the Treasury
Washington City.

Feb. 21st

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Sir,

I received a letter from Mr. Hunter chairman
of the Committee on Finance in the Senate, dated the
18th inst., requesting me to send him a statement of a
bill embodying my views as to what is proper to be
done upon the subject of Gov. Fick's resolution, and
add to it a notice for its introduction into the next?

I send you herewith a copy of the bill,
which I will transmit to Mr. Hunter to-day in compli-
ance with his request. It has been very carefully
prepared and I hope will be satisfactory in pro-
ceeding for the object in view.

I have the honor to be
with great respect
Yours ob^t servant.

James Pop Venable
Director U. S. Mint.

Hon. James Guthrie
Sec. of the Treasury
Washington City.

Form 23A
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

No. of Bank

Date of Report

J
No. Messrs A. Trotter & Co.
Phil^a.

order for fifty M
pounds copper

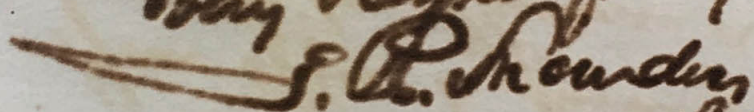
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Feb 17. 60.

Gentlemen:

Your offer to furnish
the Mint with Fifty Thousand
pounds Lake Superior Ingot Copper,
at $25\frac{1}{2}$ cents per pound, is
accepted.

Very Respectfully.


J. A. Hendon
Director of the Mint.

Wm. H. Crocker & Co.

No. of Bank

Date of Report

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1860/FEBRUARY (CONT.)

